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\$27.8b surplus recorded by GCC

KUWAIT, Jan. 19 (AP) — The six member states of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) realized financial surpluses, mainly from crude oil exports, totalling \$27.8 billion in 1980, according to a statistical report published by the semi-annual periodical *Central banks and monetary agencies of Arab Gulf states*, issued by the Central Bank of Kuwait.

Kuwait topped the GCC member states with about \$16 billion surplus, nearly 57 percent of the whole surplus.

Saudi Arabia, the world's largest crude oil exporter, achieved a six billion dollar surplus in 1980.

The statistics were given in crude tables without explanation, but economic experts here attributed Saudi Arabia's low surplus to the fact that the Kingdom was using most of its oil revenues to finance its marathon development plan and military purchases.

Incomes of the six member states in 1980 were given as follows: Saudi Arabia \$56.6 billion, Kuwait \$23.3 billion, United Arab Emirates \$13.8 billion, Qatar \$4.7 billion, Oman \$2.5 billion, and Bahrain \$746 million.

The six GCC member states achieved a total revenue of about \$101.6 billion in 1980, while their expenditures stood at \$73.8 billion.

The breakdown of surpluses for the same year is: Saudi Arabia \$6 billion, Kuwait about \$16 billion, U.A.E. \$3.6 billion, Qatar \$2 billion, Oman \$2.8 million, and Bahrain \$122 million.

The six countries cut back production by about 20 percent in total, from 15 million.

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Prince Fahd receives envoys

RIYADH, Jan. 19 (SPA) — Crown Prince Fahd received here Tuesday the Omani Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Qais Al Zawawi who visited the country for a few hours before returning home. Prince Fahd also received the Swedish Communications Minister Klaus Almqvist, who conveyed the best wishes of King Carl Gustav. Later on, he received the U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for Middle East Affairs, Nicholas Velites.

In the afternoon Prince Fahd received the Chairman of the Board of the German firm of Mercedes.

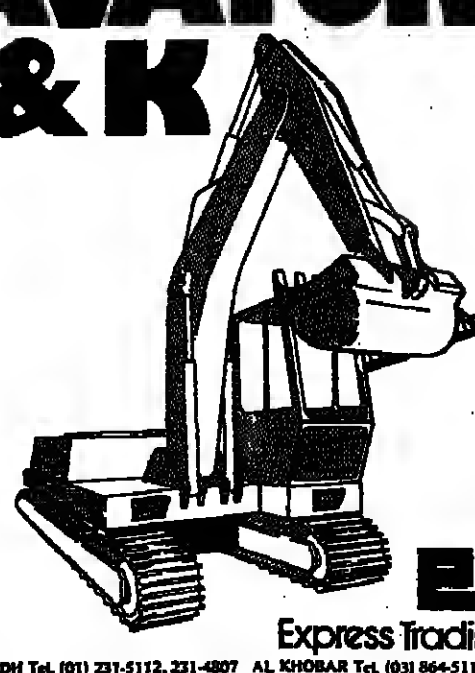
Kobelco Director Arrives in Saudi Arabia

Mr. Shintaro Koike, Director of Kobe Steel and General Manager of its highly successful Construction Machinery Division, has been warmly welcomed on his arrival in the Kingdom by Bakheet Est. for Machinery. The purpose of his 3 day visit, which lasts until January 22nd is to supervise the successful marketing of Kobelco excavators and wheel loaders, both products of Kobe Steel, Japan, the world's leading manufacturer of steel and machinery with a turnover of approximately US \$5 billion annually worldwide.

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AMMUNITION TRANSPORT BLOCKED: Dutch policemen early Tuesday morning removed demonstrators from train tracks in Groningen-Town, Holland where they tried to block the second American ammunition transport train on its way from Eemshaven to West Germany. The demonstrators were opposing the test transports being conducted by the U.S. Army in West Germany via Holland.

Zia's French visit may lead to atomic links

PARIS, Jan. 19 (AFP) — Pakistani President Muhammad Zia-ul-Haq's visit to France next Monday and Tuesday could lead to a resumption of nuclear cooperation between Islamabad and Paris, nearly five years after an earlier accord was suspended, informed French sources said here Tuesday.

President Zia's visit, which is being notably by Henry Kissinger, the Secretary of State under the administration of former President Gerald Ford, led the French to postpone a nuclear cooperation accord with Pakistan in 1976.

Like China, India, South Africa, Israel and France itself, Pakistan has not signed the 1978 Geneva nuclear non-proliferation treaty. Signatories agreed to limit nuclear weapons to the nations that had already built them, the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain and France.

A new agreement between France and

Pakistan in the nuclear area would involve only technological aid, and would be strictly peaceful in nature, the French sources said.

French President Francois Mitterrand said repeatedly that he wants to provide developing nations with advanced technology, although he has expressed a desire to prevent their application toward military ends.

Thus, the French have agreed to rebuild the Iraqi nuclear research center at Tammuz, near Baghdad, which was destroyed in an Israeli bombing raid last June. But it will do so only if the reactor uses low-grade "caramel" fuel, which is no good for atomic weapons production.

In the French-Pakistani talks, French sources said, Pakistan will note that it is included on a list of oil-importing developing countries. That group, which spent \$50 billion to import their oil in 1980, will have to pay \$1.1 trillion 1980-value dollars for oil by

1990.

Moreover, the Pakistanis will argue, sums needed for investment in those countries will reach \$5 trillion within the next 10 years, the French sources said.

The Pakistanis will maintain that such a sum is impossible to find in these countries, and that worldwide energy technology — such as nuclear reactors — must be shared between the developed and developing world, the French sources predicted.

Munir Khan, the president of Pakistan's Atomic Energy Commission, noted in an article published at the beginning of the year that advanced countries had developed their industries at a time when energy was cheap and plentiful. Energy costs 30 times what it did 20 years ago, he said.

This fact, he said, prevented the developing countries from any hope of ridding themselves of chronic poverty and backwardness.

American diplomats in Paris assured safety

PARIS, Jan. 19 (R) — The American Embassy says its diplomats will get more protection after a U.S. military attaché was shot dead in a Paris street Monday.

A little-known group, calling itself the Lebanese Armed Revolutionary Faction, claimed responsibility for the killing and threatened further anti-American action. A lone gunman shot Lt. Col Charles R. Ray, 43.

in the forehead as he left his home, and strolled away after checking that his victim was dead, the sole witness said.

New U.S. Ambassador Evan Griffith Galbraith told reporters: "We are certainly going to do all we can to prevent any further attempts." He added: "Of course, we will strengthen security measures...there will be changes."

Col. Ray was not very active in public and it had not been thought that he ran such risks, the ambassador said.

Informed sources said Col. Ray usually wore civilian clothes to work, drove himself to the embassy and did not have a bodyguard.

Police saw striking similarities between the killing and an unsuccessful attempt to kill acting U.S. Ambassador Christian Chapman in Paris two months ago, for which a group with an almost identical name claimed responsibility.

In Beirut, neither diplomats nor nationalist sources could immediately throw any light on the group, known only for its two claims of responsibility for the attacks on American diplomats in Paris, if indeed both were carried out by the same group.

Galbraith has been assigned a bullet-proof American car sent from Germany since the attempt on Chapman's life.

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Koivisto to become president

HELSINKI, Jan. 19 (R) — Prime Minister Mauno Koivisto is poised to become Finland's first Social Democratic president after his party won the largest block of electoral college seats in a national election.

Final results of the popular vote showed Koivisto's Social Democratic Party gained 145 seats in the 301-member college, which will appoint a president on Jan. 26.

The 58-year-old former dockworker from the western port of Turku needs only six electors from other parties to win a majority in the college. Koivisto was virtually certain to obtain this support after college members elected for the Communist-dominated People's

Democratic League, which won 32 seats in the two-day ballot, and one small party gave assurance of its backing Monday night.

The election was called after Urho Kekkonen, 81, Finland's president for the past 25 years, announced his retirement on health grounds last October.

Polling officials registered an 86.6 percent voter turnout, a record for a presidential election, which political analysts said reflected Koivisto's vast national popularity.

The conservative evening newspaper *Ilta-Sanomat* ran a front-page banner headline Tuesday with: "Koivisto is president."

Boeing 737 vulnerable in icy climate

LONDON, Jan. 19 (AP) — British pilots are aware of special difficulties in flying Boeing 737 aircraft in icy weather and are taught to deal with them, their union said Monday.

In a statement five days after an Air Florida 737 crashed in Washington, D.C. killing 78 people, the British Airline Pilots' Association said it knew of at least 12 "incidents" around the world since 1971 involving 737s.

Investigators say the Washington crash may have been due to ice forming on the aircraft's wings while waiting for take-off.

Last weekend Britain's Civil Aviation Authority, in what it said was a coincidental move, ordered the six British airlines operating 737s to take off at higher speeds in icy weather.

Pilots' association secretary Terry Staples said in a statement there was "a history of incidents" involving 737s in bad weather, adding British pilots were "aware of the problem and can deal with it."

Freezing rains lash southern U.S.

NEW YORK, Jan. 19 (AP) — A paring burst of freezing rain left cars and trucks skidding off the highways in the southern portion of the United States on Tuesday as the worst cold wave of the century receded.

Meanwhile, a west coast storm that threatened more mudslides covered the Sierra Nevada with a layer of snow.

The 11-day cold wave, which has left 287 dead nationwide, was moving off the east coast, but the National Weather Service said the Midwest and northeast could expect more of the same.

The service's 30-day forecast called for below-normal temperatures for the eastern two-thirds of the United States.

"The Siberian Express (as the cold wave has been dubbed) is just temporarily delayed," said Harold Gibson, the weather service's chief meteorologist in Manhattan.

In upper east Tennessee, nothing is moving. Mike Caudill of the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency said after fire fuel tankers overturned on icy roads, eight tractor-trailers crashed in one massive pileup.

5 die, several hurt as strike hits India

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19 (AP) — At least five persons were reported dead and 100 injured Tuesday in clashes set off by a nationwide strike called by foes of Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi.

Four of the deaths and 50 injuries occurred in Communist-ruled West Bengal state in clashes between strikers and pro-Gandhi unions and politicians bitterly opposed to the one-day strike call, the state chief secretary, A.K. Sen, said in Calcutta.

Fifteen injuries, some serious, occurred in similar clashes in Calcutta city, Sen said. Factories operating were mainly those where workers had slept overnight, he said. Two cases of police firing and at least one injury were also reported from Viasaparty and Kotur, in Tamil Nadu state of southern India. Police used tear gas to disperse a crowd at Hyderabad city where some members of the opposition Janata Party were arrested in a continuing roundup of labor officials and opposition politicians under preventive detention laws, a report said.

Police gunfire caused another death at Tanjore, 300 kms southwest of Madras, according to a news report from the area. Elsewhere, absenteeism, work stoppages and minor violence were reported, along with continuing arrests of opposition politicians, union officials and others deemed potential strike leaders.

More than 6,000 trade union officials, opposition political workers and "anti-social elements" were put in detention before the strike began, the United News of India reported, before it and other nationwide news agencies were shut down by their employees.

Chandra Shekar, president of the opposition Janata Party, estimated the total number of such preventive arrests since last weekend at 10,000 but declared the one-day stoppage a success despite this.

The government-operated All India Radio said the strike call was "largely ignored" across the country. But a central government announcement acknowledged that the strike "paralyzed" normal life in Calcutta and suburbs of West Bengal state, which is governed by the Marxist Communist Party, one of the opposition political groups whose affiliated trade unions called the stoppage.

The news agency shutdown meant that it could take several days to measure the nationwide effects of the strike, seen here as a test of strength between Mrs. Gandhi's supporters and those of her opposition.

The government radio was under orders to play down the walkout, a competent source said. Workers shut down major newspapers in Calcutta and New Delhi with the exception of the pro-government *National Herald* in New Delhi. Strike leaders exempted railway, post and telegraph workers but several trains were delayed in West Bengal by those squatting on rail tracks, or damaging overhead electric lines, reports from Calcutta said. Calcutta's bus and tramway system also came to a standstill.

City streets were nearly deserted in Calcutta and emptier than normal at New Delhi, Bombay and other large centers where workers at many banks and offices and some factories joined the walkout, depending on whether they belonged to pro-government or opposition-sponsored trade unions. Many businesses closed in New Delhi and Bombay as protection against possible violence. None had occurred in those cities by mid-afternoon.

One person died and eight were injured when police opened fire to disperse a clash between political workers of Mrs. Gandhi's

New Delhi buses appeared less numerous and less crowded than normal while a report from Bombay said that port city's buses ran under police protection after a partial shutdown Monday night. All India Radio acknowledged that 19 of the 109 nationalized textile mills were not operating.

Klepsch, Dankert fight close

STRASBOURG, France, Jan. 19 (R) — West German Christian Democrat Egon Klepsch and Dutch Socialist Pieter Dankert were locked in a close fight for the presidency of the European Parliament Tuesday. Two rounds of voting failed to give either candidate an absolute majority.

Klepsch won 140 votes in the first round and 130 in the second. Dankert scored 106 and then 114 in the ballots to replace current President Simone Veil of France.

The president elected Tuesday will lead the assembly into the second direct elections to the parliament, to be held throughout the European Economic Community (EEC) in 1984. Over 100 million people voted in the first elections in 1979.

Apart from its control over some 25 percent of the budget, and its power to dismiss the EEC Commission, the parliament has a mainly advisory role in community affairs, producing reports on policy.

French Gaullist Louise Weiss, the oldest member of the 434-member assembly, said 372 votes had been cast in the second ballot, four more than in the first. A total of 167 votes would therefore have been needed for victory. Weiss, 87, said voting would go into a third round.

If no candidate gains an absolute majority, the two leaders will go through a fourth ballot, in which the candidate with most votes

will be declared president.

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But most members see in it the embryo of a true legislative assembly for a united Europe. Mrs. Veil recently requested the power to veto some ministerial decisions and propose EEC legislation.

Officials said Mrs. Veil, a liberal member, might announce her candidacy before the third round if no alliance of right-wing groups around Klepsch emerged.

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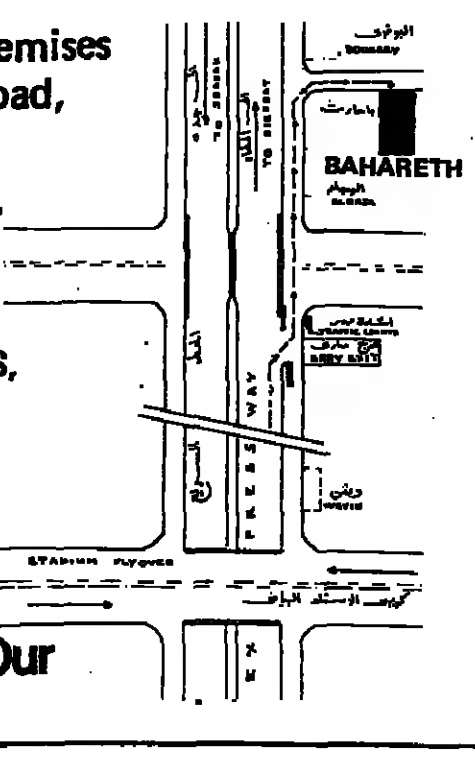
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Fahd stresses modern urban planning methods

RIYADH, Jan. 19 (SPA) — Crown Prince Fahd has urged the need to continue planning the country's cities on the latest methods and developments while maintaining the basic structure of the national environment.

Speaking at a Council of Ministers meeting here Monday night, Prince Fahd discussed

UPM wins contract

Alkhubar Bureau

DHAHRAN, Jan. 19 — The Saudi General Electricity Corporation awarded a SR16 million contract to the research Institute of the University of Petroleum and Minerals to do research on high voltage insulator performance and testing, according to a UPM news release Tuesday.

The contract was signed by UPM Rector Dr. Bakr Abdullah Bakr and Governor of the Saudi General Electricity Corporation Mahmoud Tayba.

with the council the construction of suburbs around the big cities in order to provide accommodation with all the necessary services. He also provided the council with an administrative plan to speed up the development of towns and villages and their improvement.

Information Minister Dr. Muhammad Abdo Yamani told reporters after the meeting that the prince had communicated to the council King Khaled's concern for the construction of decent accommodation for the citizens.

The council also decided on the final plan for the allocation of housing units built by the government to the needy and those who will have to lose their present old accommodation when certain areas will be demolished because they are no longer adequate. The new units will be allotted to Saudi Arabian citizens.

Malaysian king to arrive Sunday

By Habib Rahman
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Jan. 19 — The King of Malaysia Sultan Haji Ahmad Shah is due to arrive here Sunday for eight days on the first visit by a Malaysian king to the Kingdom, according to Malaysian embassy sources Tuesday. The late King Faisal visited Malaysia in 1970.

King Shah, who will be leading a 42-member delegation, is his country's seventh monarch. He carries the title of "Yang di-Perutan Agong" and is the supreme head of state. He is a constitutional monarch who is elected by 13 rulers and holds office for five years.

Malaysia's major export items to Saudi Arabia are wood, foodstuffs, fruits, spices, oil, textiles, jewelry and cast iron. Its exports in 1978 were worth SR93 million; in 1979, SR112 million; and in 1980 the figure stood at SR182 million. In 1979 it



Sultan Haji Ahmad Shah

imported from Saudi Arabia SR785 million worth of crude petroleum and other related goods; SR919 million in 1979, and, in 1980, the figure rose to SR2 billion.

Malaysia is the world's largest natural rubber producer and meets 44.5 percent of world's demands. Rubber is exported to Singapore, the United States, Britain, Federal Republic of Germany and the Communist China.

U.S. businessmen briefed on Jubail industrial works

Alkhubar Bureau

DHAHRAN, Jan. 18 — An audience of American businessmen were briefed at Dhahran's Ramada Hotel Tuesday on progress at the new industrial city of Jubail. The report was presented by Rashad Reda, deputy director general of Jubail project, the Royal Commission for Jubail and Yanbu.

Construction at Jubail, which began 4 years ago, involves such gargantuan efforts as the relocation of 100 million cubic meters of sand "the equivalent of a roadbed 9 meters wide and one meter high around the earth's equator," Reda said.

Drilling operations at Jubail are the biggest in the world, Reda told 100 participants at the American Businessmen's Association lunch. The sea water cooling system is "a pioneering effort" whose first phase comes onstream in July of this year.

Pumping 123 cubic meters of water per second, the initial segment of the cooling system will process the equivalent of two thirds of the water flow through the Shatt Al-Arab.

Reda said \$180 million a month is spent in infrastructure at Jubail, a sum which — if converted to a revenue figure — would rank the Jubail project among the top five of *Fortune* magazine's 500 leading world com-

panies. Population at Jubail, which is projected to top 350,000 by the end of the century, is currently 46,000. A 34,000-square meter administrative center, to be completed in 1983, will be staffed by 1,800 employees. A 400-bed hospital is already operational in the community whose religious, social, recreation, and health needs will ultimately be met on a neighborhood basis.

The residential city of Jubail, upwind from industrial sites and located on the perimeter of the Arabian Gulf, is conceived in terms of eight districts, for each of which the focal center will be a mosque with a capacity of 2,000.

Each district will be divided into four or five sectors, and each sector into three to five neighborhoods. Neighborhoods, designed to accommodate two to three thousand inhabitants, will have their own mosques, elementary schools, and shops for basic commodities. The entire city will possess eight 200-bed hospitals and the sea front will boast a 43-kilometer long cornice.

Ten thousand companies are registered with the royal commission, said Reda indicating that computer selection is to be used in inviting companies to tender bids for the commissions' contracts.

American group visits Ahsa region

AHSA, Jan. 19 (SPA) — A trade delegation arrived here Tuesday on a two-day tour of the region and called on the governor, Prince Muhammad bin Fahd bin Jiluwi, who gave a luncheon in its honor.

The American group will visit the Ahsa Irrigation and Drainage Project, the Eastern

Province Agriculture Directorate General and the Saudi Agricultural Bank. They will hold talks with officials of the chamber of commerce here to discuss trade cooperation. The group's tour of Ahsa is part of their visit program to various parts of the Kingdom.

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Kingdom, Sweden study communications accord

RIYADH, Jan. 19 (SPA) — The Kingdom and Sweden will conclude a communications cooperation agreement, according to officials here. Communications Minister Sheikh Hussein Mansouri and Swedish Transport Minister Klaus Almstedt Tuesday discussed the proposed agreement and decided that a draft agreement will be ready by Wednesday.

Talks between the two sides began here Tuesday after Almstedt's arrival from Jeddah on a week-long visit for talks with promoting transport and communications cooperation.

The two ministers discussed technical cooperation in land and sea transport and maintenance and safety of roads. The meeting was attended by Deputy Communications for Roads Minister Dr. Nasser Al-Salloum and Ahmad Al-Turki, deputy minister for transport. The Swedish side comprised the deputy transport minister and director general of the Swedish National Roads Department.

Almstedt said upon his arrival in Jeddah that his talks with Mansouri and other officials will center on transport and communications, and the work of the Swedish companies operating in the Kingdom. He was invited by his Saudi Arabian counterpart who visited Sweden in 1980.

The minister described relations between the two countries as "constructive." They were further boosted by King Karl Gustav's visit to the Kingdom last year, Almstedt said.

Later in the day, the minister and his delegation visited Riyadh Railroad Depot in the company of Dr. Salloum. The guests were shown around the depot's divisions and inspected its potential for loading and unloading.

KAU to honor scholar

JEDDAH, Jan. 19 (SPA) — The King Abdul Aziz University will hold a function next Monday, in honor of Dr. Muhammad Najatullah Siddiqui, recipient of the King Faisal International Award for Islamic Studies this year. Dr. Siddiqui carried out research in the field of Islamic economy, its objectives and its adaptation to the modern progress.

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Talal chairs fund meeting

MANAMA, Jan. 19 (SPA) — The Arab Gulf program for U.N. Development Organizations (AGFUND) board of directors held its fourth session here Tuesday presided over by Prince Talal ibn Abdul Aziz, honorary secretary general of the United Nations and the chairman of AGFUND.

The meeting reviewed humanitarian and development programs of U.N. agencies, especially those of UNICEF. Prince Talal said AGFUND has pledged a total aid allocation of \$40 million to UNICEF.

BRIEFS

MAKKAH (SPA) — The Arab Gulf Education Bureau resumed its meeting here Tuesday under Akram Habib, chairman of the bureau's executive council. The meeting approved the bureau's closing accounts, the establishment of an Arab research center and the Gulf University project. It also dealt with a memorandum on the ways of introducing physical training in the schools and coordinating the stances of member states in giving cultural and educational aids to non-member countries.

AHSA (SPA) — A tender will be invited soon for the construction of 20 schools for girls each with 12 classrooms in Ahsa Region. Tenders also will be invited for four larger schools with 28 classrooms in Hofuf, Mabraz and two neighboring villages.

BADR (SPA) — The Municipality of Badr

is implementing its part of the extension project of the Makkah/Madinah highway. The project is to cost nearly SR6 million. Meanwhile, Mayor Naif Al-Anzi stated Tuesday that the municipality also is working on the water network extension project in the town and eight villages under its jurisdiction, at a cost of SR3 million. Another sum of SR8 million has been approved for the asphalt project in the town and nearby villages. Anzi said, adding that saplings are being planted in three public gardens while seven other gardens and an equal number of parking areas are also under construction.

JEDDAH, (SPA) — A Danish gymnastic team will arrive here Wednesday from Copenhagen on an 11-day visit to Saudi Arabia. During its stay in the Kingdom the team will give some gymnastic displays at Jeddah, Riyadh and Dammam.

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Animals presented to Jeddah zoo

TAIPEI, Jan. 19 (CNA) — The Taipei City Government has decided to present seven categories of Taiwanese wild animals to the newly established zoo in Jeddah Saudi Arabia.

Symbolizing the cordial friendship between the two cities, these animals include spotted deer, water deer, pheasants and rock macaques. They will be airlifted to the Kingdom in the near future, an official has said. Taipei and Jeddah are sister cities.

In another development related to Saudi-Sino ties, a cactus fruit juice manufacturing factory, designed by Chinese technicians, will soon start production in Saudi Arabia.

The cactus fruit, popularly known as Barshomi by the Arabs, is grown in big quantities in the Baha area where the factory is located. China's Institute of Food Industry had cooperated with Saudi Arabia in finding the site of the plant, designing the equipment and machinery, and constructing the factory.

SIDF approves SR178m loans

RIYADH, Jan. 19 (SPA) — The Saudi Industrial Development Fund's board of directors held a meeting here Monday, chaired by Sheikh Hamad Saud Al-Sayari, deputy governor of Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency (SAMA), and SIDF board chairman. The meeting approved loans for eight projects with an overall cost of SR178.25 million.

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Mubarak, Sharon reach Sinai withdrawal accord

CAIRO, Jan. 19 (AP) — Israeli Defense Minister Ariel Sharon met Tuesday with President Hosni Mubarak and expressed confidence all problems of Israel's scheduled withdrawal from the Sinai Peninsula had been solved.

The 90-minute meeting with Mubarak was attended by Egypt's Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Ali. Both he and Sharon chair the joint committee detailing the terms of Israel's withdrawal from Sinai. An agreement is expected to be signed later Tuesday.

Israel occupied the Sinai Peninsula in the 1967 war. Under the Camp David peace pact

signed with American mediation in 1979, Israel so far has given up 75 percent of the Sinai Peninsula. The final withdrawal is to be completed by April 26 when all Israeli military and civilian presence in Sinai is to be ended.

In a joint news conference after the meeting with Mubarak, Ali said: "Mr. Sharon's visit to Egypt has been very constructive." Sharon said: "The talks with President Mubarak were very fruitful, very friendly. We solved all the problems. We are satisfied with everything."

Neither of them gave any specifics of the agreement they have reached.

Iran opposition leader calls for unity to topple Khomeini

BEIRUT, Jan. 19 (AP) — An Iranian opposition figure in Paris has called for unity among the fragmented Iranian opposition "at this sensitive time when Iran's sovereignty is at stake."

Ali Amini, prime minister from 1960 to 1961 told the Associated Press in Beirut by telephone this week that as they stand now, the groups opposed to Ayatollah Khomeini's fundamentalist rule are important because "no one can do anything on his own."

Amini who has formed the National Iranian Reconciliation Movement said he had called upon all opposition groups to join ranks in an effort to organize actions inside Iran aimed at toppling the Khomeini regime which will be three years old next month. He claimed several groups including the

Social Democrats faithful to the late Shah's last Prime Minister Shahpour Bakhtiari, and the royalists who wish to establish a new rule in Iran under the Shah's oldest son, the self-proclaimed Reza II, had already announced their support for the new unity plan.

Amini said once a "democratic" regime is established in Iran the people will be given a chance to determine their own fate in a national referendum to determine what sort of regime they would prefer to have.

Amini, 74, held several important posts in pre-revolution Iran. He was minister of justice, and economy, as well as ambassador to the United States. He resigned from the premiership in protest of the Shah's large arms purchases.

To boost army strength

Kabul seizes men off streets

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19 (AP) — The Soviet-backed regime in Afghanistan rounded up men off the street last week to replace some 10,000 draftees discharged by the army in December, a Western diplomatic source said Tuesday.

Males between the ages of 14 and 50 were seized by press gangs while buying bread in bazaars or riding on motor vehicles and bicycles in Kabul and brought to the capital's stadium where senior officials decided on the spot who would be inducted, he said.

Those conscripted were flown or trucked to army bases in various parts of the country, said the Western source, who declined to be identified by name or nationality. Hundreds

were reported seen at Kabul airport without luggage. Unlike a similar move four months ago, no advance warning was given by the Marxist regime, which is fighting continuing Afghan resistance.

"Afghanistan needs soldiers, not students," one soldier was quoted as telling a 14-year-old boy and his mother when he stopped them at an intersection roadblock. They were released after convincing him the boy was under 14, said the source.

The gangs reportedly operated Jan. 11-17. The Afghan army, its ranks depleted by casualties and desertions, is estimated to have a strength of 25,000 to 30,000 — down from 90,000 two years ago.

In Lebanon's Bekaa Valley

Syrian missiles fire at Israeli jets

BEIRUT, Jan. 19 (Agencies) — An Israeli reconnaissance squadron on Tuesday patrolled the skies over Lebanon's Bekaa Valley for the first time in six months and witnesses reported two Soviet-made missiles were fired at the planes.

Israel's military command denied its pilots were fired on by Syrian missiles and no official statement was issued in Damascus on the incident, leading Western diplomats to suggest that neither side wished to inflame tensions already at a fever pitch over Israel's annexation last Dec. 14 of the Syrian Golan Heights.

Syria moved SAM-6 anti-aircraft missiles into east Lebanon's Bekaa Valley last April 29 after Israeli jets downed two Syrian helicopters and has refused to remove them despite Israeli threats to wipe out the half-dozen batteries of mobile missiles.

Lebanon's state radio and privately owned stations said several Syrian missiles were fired but reported no hits. Sources in Damascus, who declined to be identified, confirmed the missiles were used.

Pakistan body urges Islamization

ISLAMABAD, Jan. 19 (R) — The Advisory Council nominated by President Muhammad Zia ul-Haq as Pakistan's interim parliament Monday ended its first session with a call for an acceleration of the government's Islamization process. The council, or

Majlis-i-Shoorah, adopted a resolution assuring its cooperation with Gen. Zia in establishing an Islamic order.

The session, which began on Jan. 11, was mainly devoted to debates on the government's foreign policy and internal security situation.

The council endorsed the foreign policy that is marked by Pakistan's strong opposition to the Soviet military intervention in neighboring Afghanistan, closer links with the United States and Muslim countries and nonalignment. Zia has said the council will work as a parliament for an unspecified interim period but it can only advise the government and not take any decisions.

Percy holds talks in Syria

DAMASCUS, Jan. 19 (AP) — Senator Charles Percy began talks with Syrian government leaders on Tuesday as relations between the United States and Syria suffered a new strain over Israel's annexation of the Golan Heights.

Syrian officials said the Illinois Republican went into conference with President Hafez Assad immediately after a three-hour meeting with Foreign Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam. The talks were attended by U.S. Ambassador to Syria Robert Faganelli and Mohsen Bilal, chairman of the Syrian Parliament's Foreign Relations Committee.

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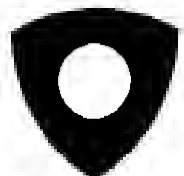
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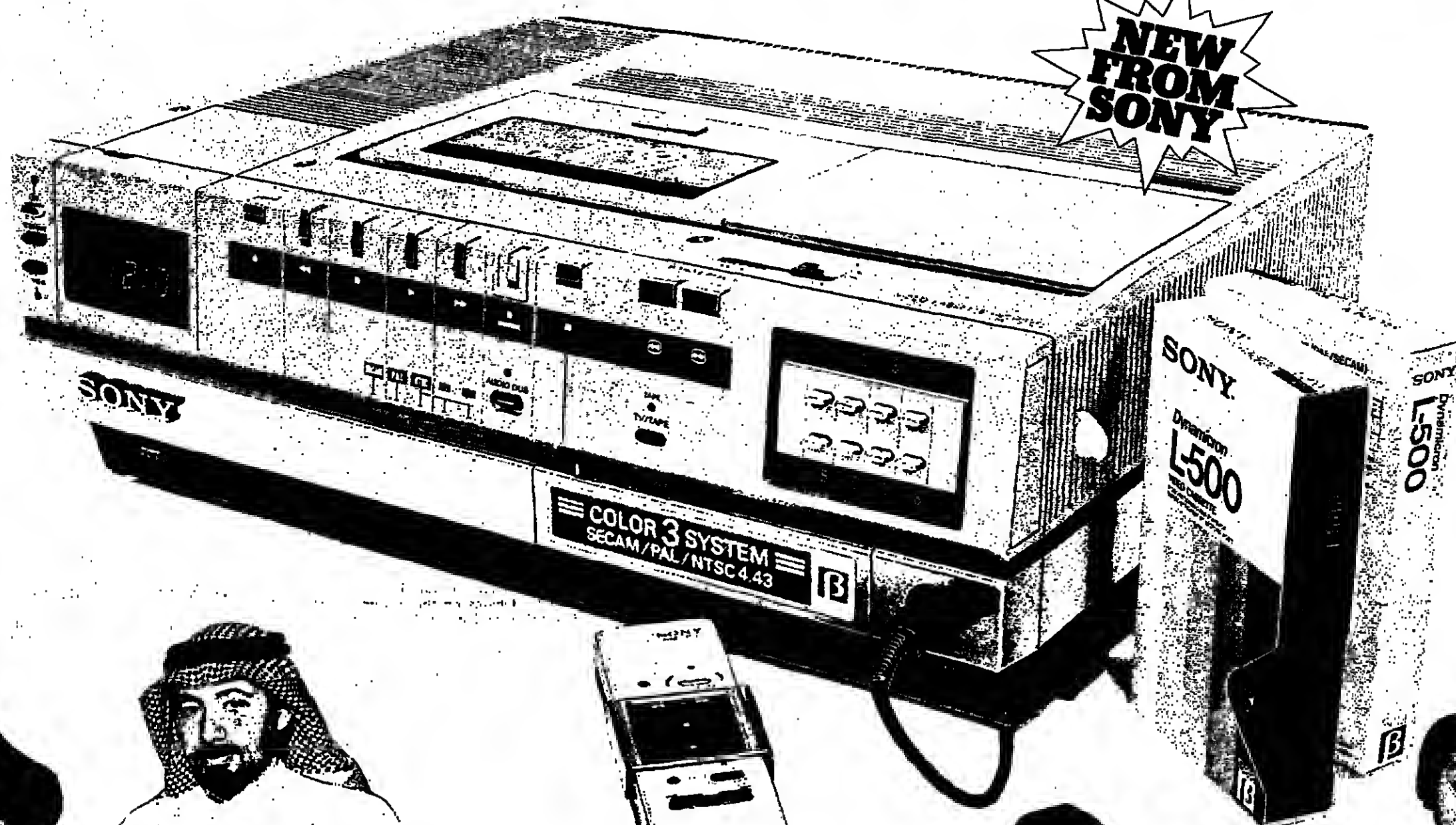


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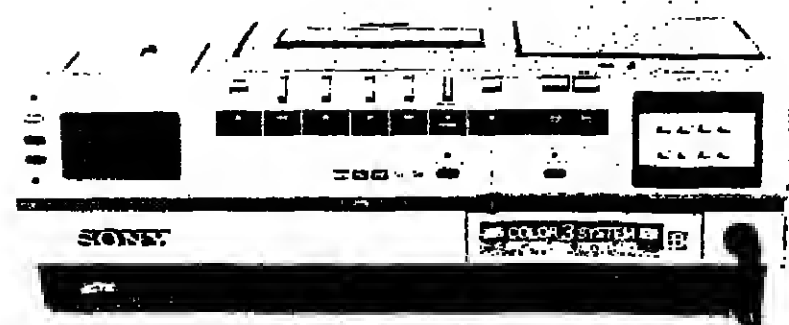
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LOGIC OF VIOLENCE

The interview with PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat, published in yesterday's *Arab News*, emphasizes once more the nature of the problem faced by the Palestinians in their search for a just and honorable settlement. It shows once more how, with all the goodwill in the world, there can be no progress until the Israeli leadership changes its policy of unbridled aggression and expansionism.

As Arafat said, it was the Palestinians who first came with the proposal for a unitary Palestinian state in the whole of Palestine, within which people of all creeds and nationalities can coexist in peace. That was in 1969, and the proposal was issued only as a start for a dialogue. But the Israeli leadership rejected it out of hand.

Then, in 1974, another proposal was submitted to the International community, one calling for the establishment of a Palestinian state on those areas from which Israel withdraws. This was also rejected out of hand.

The Palestinians have demonstrated through these calls their willingness to enter into a dialogue with the other side. They have not shown that blindness to the historical facts of the case, that contemptuous dismissal of all legal and humanistic principles which characterize the Israeli leadership.

The American position has up to now been that the U.S. will not recognize the PLO unless the latter recognizes Israel. But that logic not merely stands the position on its head, where the victim is asked to confer legitimacy first on his tormentor, it also forgets that the Israelis have made it amply clear that they will under no circumstances recognize the Palestinians and their rights.

That logic, in the end, is the logic of violence, of the ceaseless attempt by the Israelis to annihilate the Palestinians. And it is a logic which America is aiding and abetting through its unwavering military and economic support for Israel, as well as its refusal to recognize the PLO and enter into a dialogue with it on how peace can at last be restored to the area.

Saudi Arabian press review

The call for Arab unity, praise for the progress achieved by the Kingdom's armed forces and the GCC secretary general's recent contacts with Gulf leaders to boost cooperation among the Gulf states for ensuring stability and peace in the region figured for editorial comments in Tuesday's newspapers.

Al-Riyadh underlined the importance of realizing Arab solidarity for shouldering their national responsibility in the face of crucial political developments in the area.

"It has now become inevitable to work out a strategic plan for a unified Arab action for facing the challenges imposed on the Arab nation and safeguarding the Arab cause," it said.

The paper deplored the Israeli attempts to achieve its ambitions and designs in the region with the blessing of some Western countries, ignoring the U.N. Charter and resolutions. It also regretted the attempts by some Western countries to lift the African and international political blockade imposed on Israel as a result of its aggression in the Middle East.

The paper warned that if the Arabs ignored such attempts "the day will soon come when some African countries under Western pressures are forced to resume diplomatic relations with Israel."

On the same subject, *Al-Jadrah* urged the Arab states to settle their differences and reach a minimum degree of reconciliation, understanding and solidarity, especially on their fateful issue.

The paper noted that Israel has been committing aggression on the Arabs for achieving its military and political goals. "Because it has always been aware of the absence of any unified Arab action."

Okaz urged the Arabs to unify their ranks, mobilize their strength and formulate a joint action for facing the challenges imposed on them.

The call to create a favorable climate for resuming the adjourned Arab summit conference seems to be the most appropriate answer in the present circumstances for settling Arab differences and reinforcing the joint Arab strength that will force Israel to stop its aggression and restore usurped Arab rights either through peace or war," the paper said.

Al-Madinah commended the progress achieved by the Kingdom's armed forces, "which has strengthened the security umbrella for safeguarding the country's national interests and ensuring stability and prosperity for the people of the Kingdom." It hailed the Kingdom's leadership led by King Khalid and Crown Prince Fahd and their determination to give priority for providing the Kingdom's armed forces with the most sophisticated weapons.

Dealing with the GCC Secretary General Sheikh Abdullah Bishara's recent contacts with the Gulf leaders, *Al-Bilad* said, "The trip reaffirms the Gulf leaders' prime concern for safeguarding the security and stability of the Gulf region and keeping it away from international conflict." (SPA)



Polish Military Council uses brutal measures when 'necessary'

By Feliks Polonski

Like meat, reliable information is a rare and valued commodity in Poland today. Apart from a few poor snapshots, most information is by word of mouth carried by couriers traveling round the country at great personal risk. It is a situation in which rumor flourishes.

The official media have a vested interest in declaring that work is back to normal, while some Solidarity sources have an understandable tendency to exaggerate active resistance. The truth lies somewhere between the two.

The Military Council has stated, through press spokesman Jerzy Urban, that the leaders of the free union and the intellectuals still detained are well-fed in warm surroundings, and are not being tortured. From talks with those who have visited detention centers to see relatives and friends, I believe this claim to be substantially true.

It is, for example, true that Tadeusz Mazowiecki, editor of *Solidarnosc Tygodnik*, Solidarity's weekly national newspaper, is alive. So is Jacek Kuron, founder member of KOR, the Committee for the Defense of the Workers. Kuron is in Wajerskow jail and said to be in strong physical and mental condition.

Among others detained with him are Antoni Tokarczuk and Jan Rulawski, vice-chairman and chairman respectively of the Bydgoszcz regional committee of Solidarity. Much of their time is passed in arguing about what went wrong, who is responsible for not foreseeing the coup, and the faulty tactics the union displayed beforehand.

Elsewhere, other senior activists and union advisers are also being treated reasonably well. Reports of the death of Zbigniew Iwanow, the liberal reformer of the Polish Communist Party from Torun, are suspect, since he was reported to have been seen alive and well in Potulice prison last month, collecting a food parcel from his family.

In Potulice, where about 120 people remained in detention, mostly from the Bydgoszcz and Torun areas, conditions are certainly not harsh, and one released detainee commented that the food was much better than the average citizen gets from the free marketplace.

Well-beated and generally unrestricted in their movements and communication, the inmates of Potulice even managed to develop their own newspaper, *Wolne Slovo* (Free Word), written on scrap paper and passed around in full view of the warders.

In other prisons where intellectuals and Solidarity leaders are detained, inmates defiantly wear Solidarity badges, an "offense" which outside jail receives an automatic fine of up to 5,000 zlotys and suspended prison sentences. Even outside jail people are wearing the badge, though with "Solidarnosc" scraped off and only the Polish flag left to be seen.

It is now clear that many Solidarity leaders — perhaps as many as 30 percent — remain free and in hiding. Senior founder-members of Solidarity have eluded the grasp of the regime, including Bogdan Lis and Alina Pienkowska from Gdansk, and Zbigniew Bujak from the Ursus tractor factory in Warsaw.

There are some cases of brutality. Andrzej Celinski, secretary to the National Presidium of Solidarity, was badly beaten after being captured on Dec. 14. This was a revenge beating by the Milicia, since Celinski had managed, with a loud-hailer, to warn many Solidarity activists in a suburb of Warsaw that a roundup was about to start.

Jan Jozef Lipski, an economist adviser to Solidarity, and Wiktor Woroszyński, editor of the opposition literary magazine *Zapis*, were among the handful of intellectuals who entered factories after the coup. They went to Ursus, but Lipski was later taken and his trial began in Warsaw on Jan. 5 in front of an audience of chosen workers from Ursus.

Adam Michnik, who with Kuron was prominent in establishing KOR, was taken late on Dec. 12, and he also suffered a beating when he resisted arrest. However, with many of the Warsaw intelligentsia he is in reasonably comfortable circumstances in Bialoleka jail, on the outskirts of Warsaw.

As an indication of the high spirits of these leading figures (all of whom, Lech Walesa included, have experienced both jail and beatings before

August 1980), Michnik is reported to have asked his first visitor: "How many books have you edited since war was declared?"

At this stage of the coup, the regime is cautiously doing its best to present an "enlightened" attitude toward the intellectuals and union leaders it has detained, at least toward those known in the West. But there is an all-enveloping, disturbing silence imposed by the junta on all news concerning the fate of the huge numbers of workers who in the coup's early stages adopted resistance tactics: living contacts with underground information sources; I have managed to piece together some of the story.

One totally sealed city is Radom, where there is excellent evidence from a variety of sources that about 2,000 workers are being held prisoner in tents and in very poor conditions. Workers lack the contacts with Western news media that intellectuals have managed to develop and can be attacked with impunity.

In Gdansk, for example, a massive crowd assembled on Dec. 17, anniversary of the unveiling of the monument to the murdered workers of 1970. The monument was cordoned off by a large contingent of ZOMO, the riot section of the Milicia. An officially permitted wreath-laying ceremony was to be held in front of 100,000 people.

The small group with wreaths approached the monument and almost simultaneously the ZOMO were attacked by youths throwing stones and pushing against their riot shields. Many of the injuries suffered by ZOMO that day were from their shields, which cut into their chins as close-quarter fighting forced them back temporarily.

The situation deteriorated rapidly, with ZOMO forces lashing into the crowd with long lead-lined batons and eventually shooting into the crowd with

bullets and exploding gas cartridges. According to reliable estimates, up to 1,000 people were injured and 10 killed, one of which I myself can verify.

Most of the injuries were facial wounds caused by splinters from gas cartridges, with temporary blindness, choking and skin blisters resulting from the gas exploding at short range among groups of people. The shots were apparently aimed at the legs and lower abdomen. Personal accounts from witnesses are very distressing and too numerous to detail.

One woman, already injured by gas and in a state of shock, saw a riot trooper approach her and said to him: "You wouldn't hit me, would you?" He replied "I will kill you" and proceeded to baton her to the ground.

Solidarity's city committee in Gdansk, as yet not rounded up by the authorities, has disclaimed the youths who apparently began the attack on the Milicia, saying that they were hooligan "plants" placed specifically to provoke a counter-attack against the workers.

In Lodz on Dec. 14, ZOMO broke up a meeting at the Solidarity offices in the city center. The day before, two leaders of Lodz Solidarity had been arrested — including Slowik, chairman of the regional committee — after touring the city in a car and calling through a loud-bailer for an immediate general strike. They were later jailed for four and a half years, with no right of appeal.

The smashing of the Lodz headquarters was conducted in a brutal fashion as Solidarity members attempted to defend it floor by floor, while others escaped through rear and side exits unknown to the Milicia. Smoke poured from the building for several hours after the attack — a combination of gas and the attempt to burn all files and documents before the Milicia got to them.

Lifting Gibraltar blockade

By Francis Cantos

Spain's agreement to lift its 18-year blockade of Gibraltar has been welcomed by political leaders on the Rock, particularly as Britain has succeeded in getting a deal without giving way to Spain's demands for its nationals to have European Community citizen's rights in Gibraltar.

The agreement was reached in London recently between British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and her Spanish counterpart Calvo Sotelo. The restrictions will be lifted on April 20, the same day as negotiations on overcoming all differences on Gibraltar are due to start.

Gibraltar's chief minister, Sir Joshua Hassan, and the leader of the opposition, Peter Isola, will be accompanying British Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington at the talks in Lisbon with Spanish Foreign Minister Perez Llorca.

The Rock's governor, Gen. Sir William Jackson, said in a radio broadcast that Gibraltarians can now look forward to re-establishing relationships and family ties which have been disrupted for many years. The governor's statement said that while assurances had been given to Spain that there would

be no unfair discrimination against its citizens in employment, social security, salaries and the right to join trade unions, "Spaniards, of course, will continue to have the same status as non-EEC nationals."

The president of the chamber of commerce, Wilfred Garcia says the opening of the border will not immediately alleviate the effects of the run-down in the British naval dockyard, announced recently by the British government. But generally the chamber of commerce believes that the reopening will be good for trade.

Garcia says Gibraltar's economy also needs British government development aid. Similarly, on the Spanish side of the frontier, the town of La Linea is pressing for aid from Madrid.

La Linea has become a ghost town since the frontier was closed in 1969. Many of its people used to work in Gibraltar, and Socialist Mayor Juan Carmona has consistently campaigned for a reopening — "but we haven't even enough policemen to cope with the expected increase in traffic," he says.

Gibraltar Socialist leader Joe Bossano is worried that the frontier announcement will not help in the political struggle to reverse the British decision to close down the dockyard.

Letter to the editor

Turkey-Iran relations

Dear Sir,
I would like to clarify certain points concerning the article entitled "Army in exile preparing for battle of liberating Iran," published in *Arab News* on Dec. 23, 1981 and written by "Staff Writers".

Following are two statements made on Dec. 25 and Dec. 28, 1981 by Turkish Foreign Ministry spokesman Ambassador Nazmi Akman and the government spokesman state minister Professor Ilhan Ozturk, respectively.

"The allegations that an army is being formed in the eastern region of Turkey to occupy north of Iran and re-establish the monarchy, which are illogical, and devoid of any substance are aimed at disturbing the friendship and good neighborly relations between Iran and Turkey."

With kind regards
Huseyin E. Celim
Ambassador of Turkey
Jeddah

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, Jan. 20, the 20th day of 1982. There are 345 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:

1265 — England's parliament meets for first time.

1503 — Casa Contratacion board of trade is formed in Spain to deal with affairs in America.

1887 — New Zealand annexes Kermadec islands in Pacific; U.S. Senate approves leasing Pearl Harbor in Hawaii as naval base.

1926 — New code of laws is adopted in Turkey.

1957 — South Africa denies use of port facilities to Indian vessels in retaliation for India's sanctions against South Africa.

1960 — Belgian Congo conference in Brussels agrees on full independence.

1964 — British forces quell mutinies of Tanganyika rifles and troops in Uganda and Kenya.

1968 — President Aref's regime in Iraq is deposed, and new government is formed under AIBakr; Turkey becomes first member of NATO to recognize new military government in Greece.

1970 — Attempted coup in Baghdad in which Iran is accused of collusion.

1980 — U.S. President Jimmy Carter says he has asked U.S. Olympic Committee to support his effort to move summer games from Moscow unless Soviet troops withdraw from Afghanistan.

1981 — Fifty-two Americans held hostage in Iran for more than 13 months are set free as Ronald Reagan is inaugurated as 40th U.S. president.

Thought for today:

Do what you feel in your heart to be right, for you'll be criticized anyway — Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, U.S. stateswoman (1884-1962).

Buildings with 'rubber springs' designed to resist earthquakes

By Greg Gratton

KUALA LUMPUR, (R) — Scientists working with natural rubber have developed a new form of earthquake protection for multi-story buildings that they believe could save thousands of lives and millions of dollars.

The principle is simple: Put buildings in earthquake-prone areas on rubber springs to effectively isolate the structure from the quake vibrations.

Malaysia, the world's largest producer of natural rubber, will next month play host to the first international conference devoted to explaining how this relatively cheap form of protection works and why its developers believe it is superior to conventional building strengthening.

"We have now reached the stage in its development where we are confident enough to air the results in public," Des Derham, senior principal scientist of the Malaysian Rubber Producers Research Association (MRPRA), said.

The four-day conference, sponsored by the Malaysian Rubber Research and Development Board and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), is aimed in particular at selling the idea to architects and civil engineers, the specialists

whose lobby is needed to revise government building codes based on existing methods.

"It is becoming increasingly difficult to construct buildings to withstand large earthquakes and the present method is simply to strengthen the structure," said Derham, who has been working with the board on research.

The stronger the building, the more the force of the quake is transmitted from the ground, effectively causing greater damage to what's inside, according to Derham.

"You'd never think of bolting an engine directly to the car chassis, you put it on rubber springs to prevent its vibrations getting through to the car. We can now do that with buildings," he said.

It was not until recently that bearings using high-quality rubber could be made to accept the large movements in severe earthquakes.

Groups of scientists started working on the idea independently about six years ago in France, Greece, New Zealand, Malaysia, Britain and the United States.

They recently formed the International Society for Seismic Protection to promote this use of natural rubber.

Initial research has been based on new buildings but the scientists are now studying the possibilities for existing structures, Derham said.

It would be cheaper to replace existing

foundations with rubber springs than to strengthen it using conventional methods, he added.

The rubber spring itself looks like a huge multi-decker sandwich with steel leaves fitted between rubber blocks about 24 inches (60 cm) square and 12 inches (30 cm) thick.

The spring is a development from rubber buffers already used on some bridges and buildings for vibration isolation.

These have been used in London, for instance, for buildings over underground railway stations.

"It was not until we understood how rubber behaved in these conditions that we were able to develop a material with the right dampening characteristics and stability for earthquake protection," Derham said.

The research and development board worked with scientists at Berkeley University in California to perfect the design.

Malaysian rubber researchers have been working on high technology use for natural rubber for some time, particularly in engineering, and are hopeful that this breakthrough will lead to other applications.

"If it becomes common practice to put buildings on rubber the market created for the commodity though over very large, would nevertheless be significant," according to Derham.

Lorin Maazel takes over

Despite Vienna Opera's cloudy past, new director hopes for fair weather

By Martin Bernheimer

VIENNA (LAT) — The Vienna State Opera... for the average music lover, the name conjures up magical images, images involving Mozart and Strauss, lofty Wagner, glamorous casts and torte from Sacher after the performance.

For insiders, however, the Vienna Opera sometimes carries less pleasant connotations. It is, after all, a house with a history clouded by political, sociological and artistic controversies. It has enjoyed moments of glory, with directors bearing such names as Gustav Mahler, Franz Schalk, Richard Strauss, Clemens Krauss, Felix Weingartner, Bruno Walter, Karl Boehm and Herbert von Karajan. But many of these great and famous men were driven out of Vienna under a black cloud.

Boehm died this summer at the age of 86. A few weeks before his death, he granted a last interview to a German journalist. Although the maestro had not been in charge of the Vienna Opera for 25 years, the city and the job obviously were still on his mind.

"Don't even start talking about Vienna," protested the venerable Austrian when the subject was raised. Then he was off.

"I didn't even want the position of opera director there, for I knew the Viennese. I knew that they are world champions at intrigue. After all, they forced out such famous musicians as Gustav Mahler and Herbert von Karajan when they served as opera directors. I accepted the appointment only

after much pressure was placed upon me by the city administration...."

And then, while Boehm was filling a guest engagement in New York, an engagement which had been stipulated in his contract, the Viennese decided he was unsuitable for the job because he was never there.

"When I came back and entered the pit to conduct *Fidelio*, the people in the balconies greeted me with a chorus of bows and bows that lasted for minutes. It still rings in my ears today. Thank goodness it wasn't necessary for me to be opera director in Vienna. I had made international connections. I could quit in comfort."

Boehm's Viennese tenure lasted exactly a year.

"Perhaps," the old man recalled, "it was one year too many."

The announcement shook the opera world, a world easily shaken. In 1979, Vienna had a new opera director. He was not Viennese. He was not even Austrian. He was an American. Double honors. He was Lorin Maazel.

Maazel, then a mere 49 and world renowned as present music director of the mighty Cleveland Orchestra and past music director of the Berlin Opera, accepted the appointment with a well-publicized flourish.

He said he intended to make the company "a paragon of excellence in a world in which there is too much mediocrity." The Viennese, noted for their penchant for "schlamperei" — a special, comfy, Austrian brand of sloppiness — appreciated that.

"I will always be led," Maazel stated, "by the principle that it is not the function of an opera house to serve the interests of its director, but it should be an honor for the director to serve the interests of the house." The Viennese liked that too.

Maazel announced at a press conference that he would conduct only 30 performances a year at the Staatsoper. The Viennese did not like that quite so much. A critic pointed out that the number represented only one-tenth of the annual schedule. Maazel countered that he would spend a great deal of time functioning as administrator, and — danger signal — that he intended to keep up with a certain number of crucial outside commitments. He also got tough: "I am keen that this house again be led in the fashion of Mahler and Strauss.... I will not hesitate to make changes if I consider them necessary.... I'll do whatever needs to be done without fear of stepping on toes."

Maazel steps down as music director of the Cleveland orchestra this year, retaining a conductor-emeritus title. He will devote four to six weeks a year to Cleveland through the 1984-85 season.

When Maazel came to Cleveland a decade ago, his reception was not rosy. The orchestra still bore the imprint of George Szell, and it was no secret that the majority of the players had opposed Maazel's appointment. Istvan Kertesz had been the popular choice, a choice ignored by the board of directors. When Maazel made his severance hall debut in 1971, members of the orchestra were openly hostile. Time, however, has wounded the heels or healed the wounds.

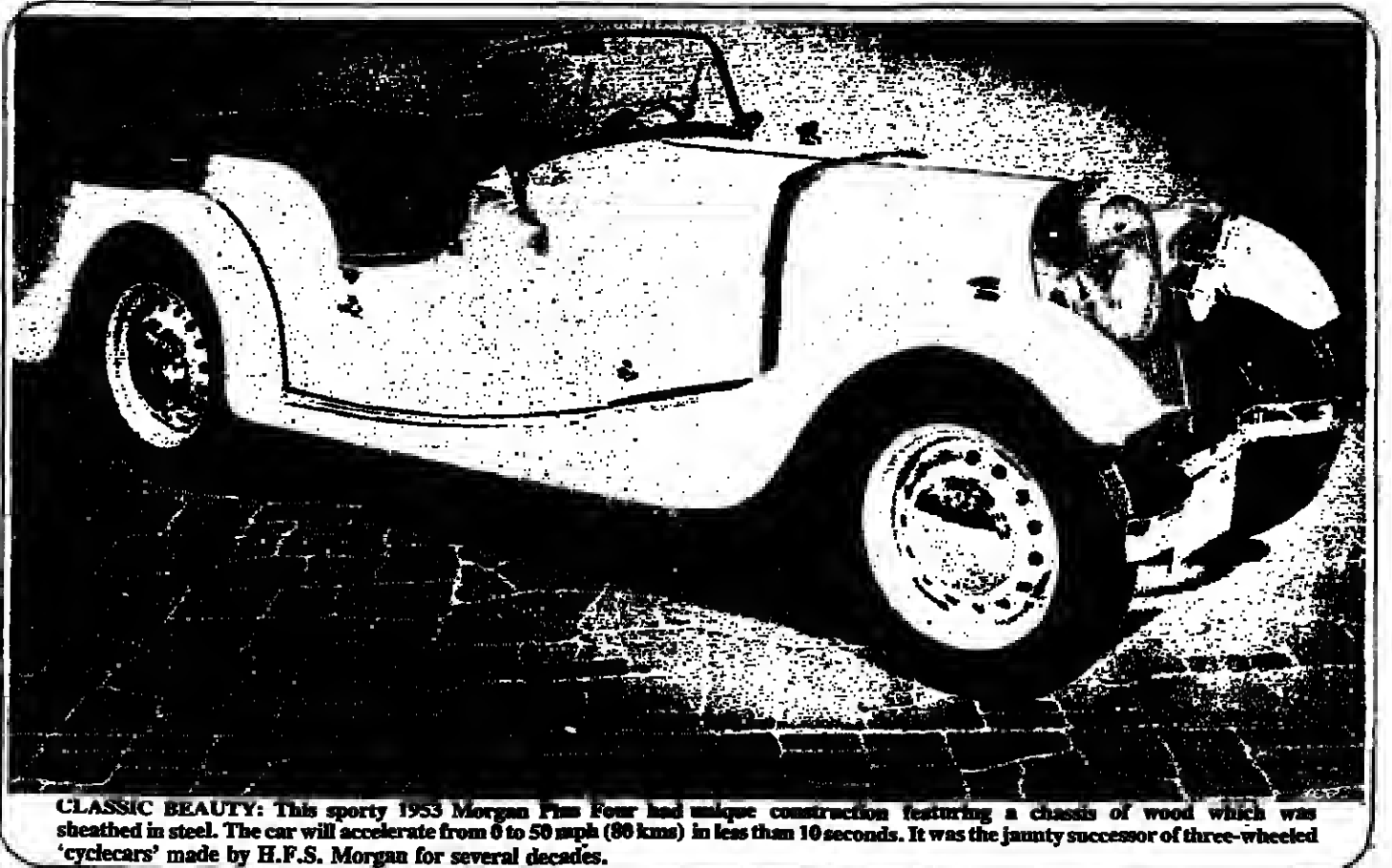
The search for a worthy successor for Maazel in Cleveland is proving difficult. Many of the players who initially rejected Maazel are now gnashing teeth over the selection of an appropriate new music director. The choices are not particularly promising.

Lorin Maazel was in Los Angeles with another of "his" orchestras, the Orchestre National de France. A concert, part of a hectic trans-continental tour, loomed at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion.

He did not want to talk about money, about the brouhaha caused by a rumor in Vienna that he would be earning 5.4 million schillings a year for his limited commitment (something close to \$450,000 at the time the contract was signed). According to *Die Presse*, that made Maazel the highest paid figure in the history of Austrian government.

He certainly did not want to discuss the Viennese critic who had attacked his guest performance at a televised New Year's concert; Maazel, be noted, cut a good figure, could doubtless read the score of a waltz, but had yet to learn how to conduct a waltz or convey the spirit of a waltz. It was clear that the Clevelanders would be tested in Vienna.

Still, the maestro knew well how important he could be to life in the Austrian capital. "The opera director in Vienna," he had told the *New York Times*, is considered No. 3 in the government. If I were to fail, the cultural minister would have to resign, and the general secretary for theaters would have to resign.



CLASSIC BEAUTY: This sporty 1953 Morgan Plus Four had unique construction featuring a chassis of wood which was sheathed in steel. The car will accelerate from 0 to 50 mph (80 kph) in less than 10 seconds. It was the jaunty successor of three-wheeled 'cyclocars' made by H.F.S. Morgan for several decades.

Ma Bell hangs up on America

Computer market interests AT&T, court settlements motivated change

By Peter Fringle

WASHINGTON (O) — Friendly old "Ma Bell," the nationwide telephone company and best-known founding mother of American capitalism, has suddenly bungled up on her millions of subscribers. It is no exaggeration to say that corporate America will never be the same again.

From the early 1900s Ma Bell, also known as the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, provided west-bound pioneers with their only link to the cities. Wherever a frontiersman decided to live, Ma Bell would be there, too, running in a telephone line.

Now AT & T, the largest company in the world with \$50 billion of revenues last year, has unexpectedly decided to divest itself of 22 regional operating companies that provide 80 percent of the nation's telephone service.

The move will enable AT & T to participate in what its directors think will be the even more profitable field of computers. It also permits the government to drop its costly eight-year-old anti-trust suit against the company. The suit charged Ma Bell with blocking real and potential competitors.

The government has also dropped a 12-year-old anti-trust suit against IBM. It had

been charged with monopolizing the computer business through a series of illegal actions against competitors. The government has now decided the case was "without merit."

In future American corporate life has the intriguing prospect of these two enormous companies battling against each other in the burgeoning computerized information age. Nothing is more in line with the administration's *laissez faire* economic policy, nor its singular distaste for any 1960s rhetoric about big is bad and small is beautiful.

Of the two dropped suits IBM is the more controversial because it was a unilateral government decision. However, it was less of a surprise than AT & T because the government's case seemed to be getting nowhere at vast expense.

President Carter's first attorney general, Griffin Bell, said in 1979 that he wished to settle. The Reagan decision may well herald a new government approach to big anti-trust cases: That they are bad for the economy because they prevent American companies competing effectively with foreign companies.

The Ma Bell decision is more obviously an historic one. It was executed in extraordinary secrecy. Seventeen directors of AT & T who

last year presided over the distribution of \$6 billion net income, were presented with the divestiture plan Dec. 16. They agreed unanimously to accept it and the announcement of the dropping of the anti-trust case was made Jan. 8.

There were several reasons for the speed of execution. Over the past year AT & T had found its arguments against the Justice Department's efforts to dismember the company having increasingly less impact on the judge. In Congress, it seemed, legislation might soon be prepared that would restrict the company's activities even more than an out-of-court settlement. Finally, the computer business, which after all increasingly overlapped the telecommunications business, was where the big bucks would be made in the 1980s.

More fundamentally, public policy had clearly changed. In the good old days Ma Bell had been allowed to run a monopoly because it suited the government. The arrangement was that the company would ensure that everyone had a telephone as long as the government protected the company's monopoly and allowed it to charge rates that permitted a profit.



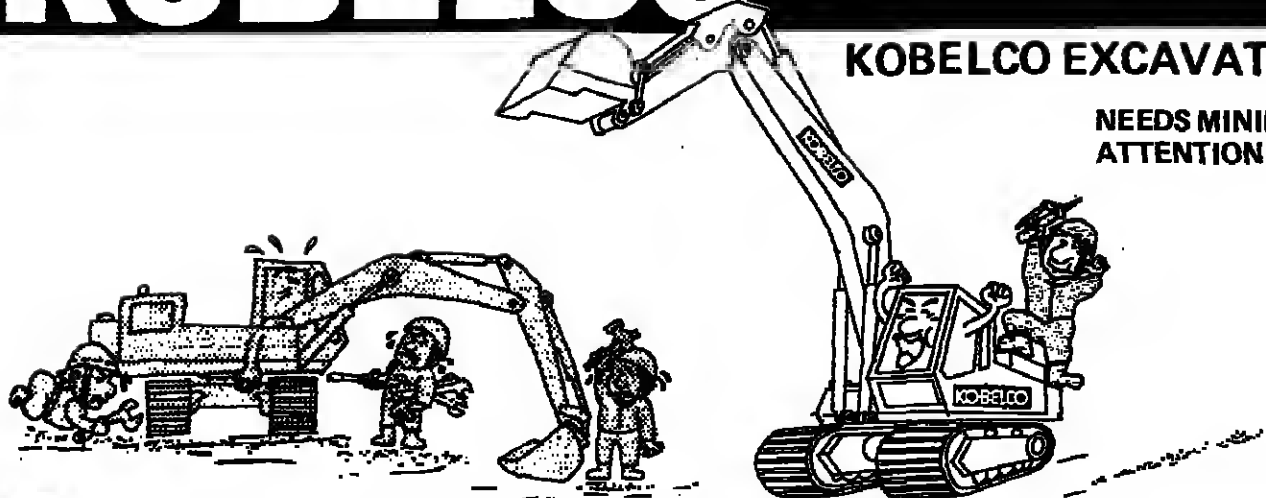
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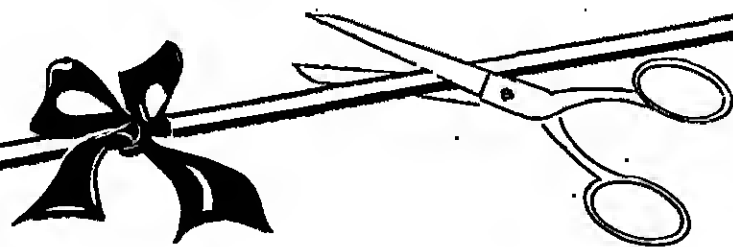
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Chinese to resolve Hong Kong's future

Unborn child unharmed by coffee, says study

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration advised pregnant women in 1980 to consume foods containing caffeine such as coffee sparingly. It cited studies suggesting that caffeine could harm the fetus. But six doctors reported in the journal that a study of 12,400 pregnant women found no relationship between low birth weight and heavy coffee consumption. Neither were the children of coffee drinkers disproportionately malformed.

Atkins stressed at the time that China was aware of the problem of confidence likely to arise in the next few years over the fate of the colony. China has four special economic zones in Shenzhen, Zhuhai and Shantou, in Guangdong province, and Xiamen, in Fujian province.

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Skelton said while preparing for the exhibition, the Victoria and Albert had found some interesting items in its vaults which it did not know existed, including two 30 foot paintings from Emperor Akbar's palace.

A spokesman said the attack occurred just after the car left the home of one of the three victims in the small village of Uoter-Gruppenbach, 60 kms north of Stuttgart, late Sunday night.

Rajah was released from the Batu Gajah detention camp about 150 kms north of Kuala Lumpur last Friday. A former union colleague, S. Thurairamam, was freed three days earlier, he said. The two men were among seven trade unionists arrested in November 1970 under Malaysia's Internal

Rajah, who led two trade unions which were later banned, said they were freed on condition that they did not take part in any political or trade union activities. They could not move outside their home towns, must stay indoors from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. and must report to the local police every two weeks, he said.

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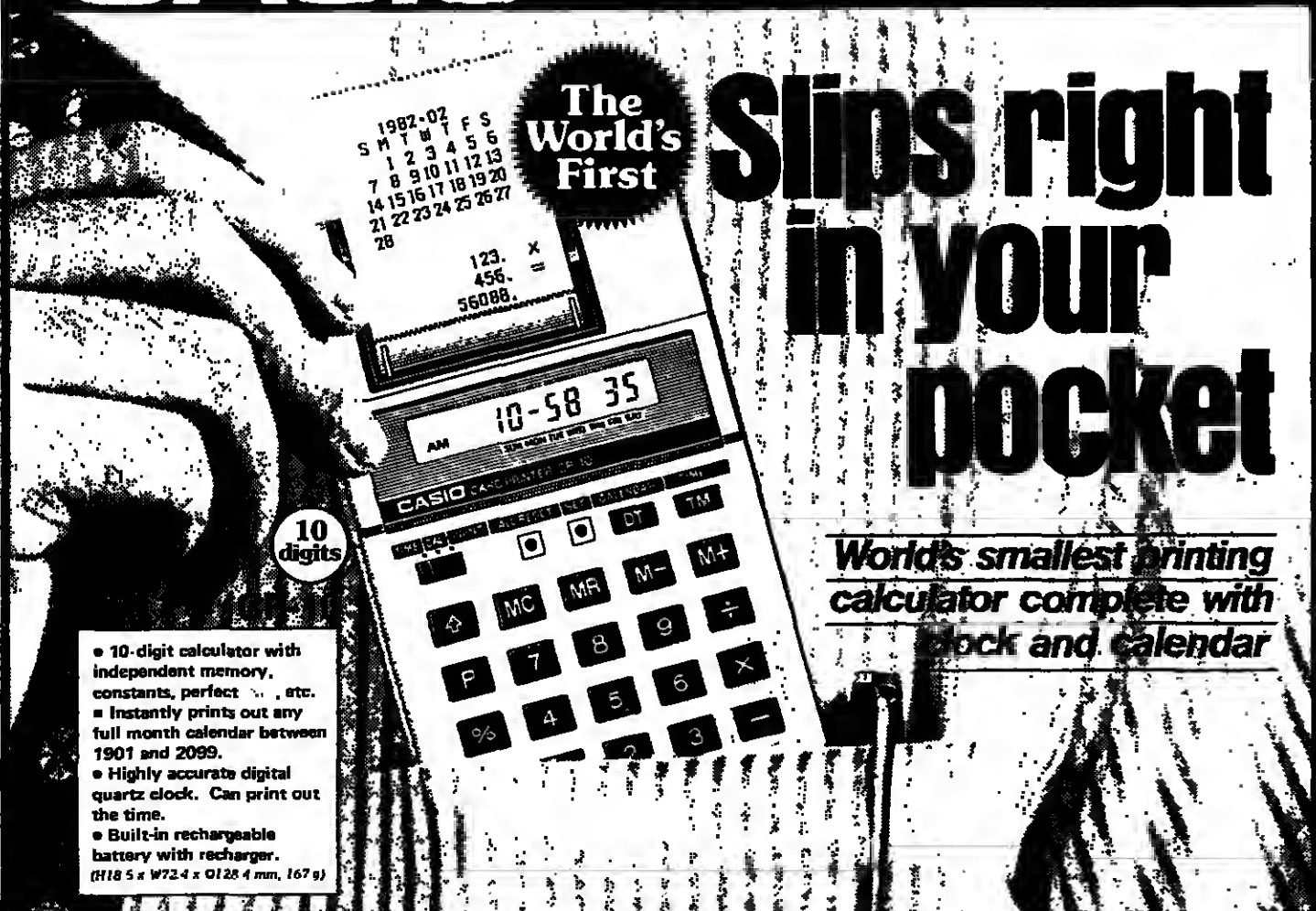
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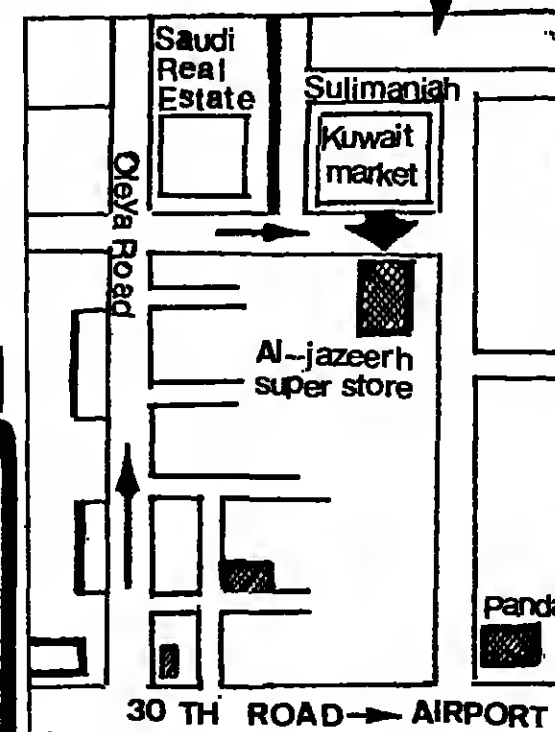
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On military balance

U.S. assails Soviet document

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19 (R) — The State Department has said a new Soviet booklet on defense contained shopworn propaganda and gave a distorted history of U.S. defense and foreign policy.

Spokesman Dean Fischer said the U.S. Embassy in Moscow had provided information on the booklet which American press reports said the Soviet government planned to distribute worldwide in six languages, including English.

Judging from press reports and information from the embassy, he said, "the pamphlet appears to be nothing more than a slick repackaging job with the standard shopworn Soviet propaganda line about U.S. military programs and the East-West military balance." Press reports said the booklet resembled in style and presentation a U.S. Defense Department publication called "Soviet military power," issued last September.

A pre-publication copy of the Soviet booklet was said to have reached at least one embassy in Moscow and to have been made

available to several Western correspondents.

Fischer said that by presenting a distorted history of U.S. defense and foreign policy and through the selective use of data, the booklet tried to portray the Soviet Union as simply reacting to threats posed by the West.

"An objective look at respective U.S.-

On consular convention

China, U.S. exchange notes

PEKING, Jan. 19 (AP) — The United States and the People's Republic of China exchanged instruments of ratification Tuesday for the first treaty between them, a document covering the operation of consulates.

The Sino-American consular convention "provides a comprehensive legal basis to promote trade, travel, cultural and educational exchanges," a U.S. Embassy statement said. It covers such things as diplomatic privileges and notice to consulates of arrests of Americans in China or Chinese in the United States, a spokesman said.

The treaty is to go into effect 30 days after Tuesday's exchange of notes between U.S. Ambassador Arthur W. Hummel Jr. and

Soviet military programs of the past decades shows that it has been the USSR that has far outpaced the United States in development and modernization of both strategic and intermediate range nuclear forces while maintaining a long-standing advantage in conventional strength," the spokesman said.

Chinese Vice Foreign Minister Zhang Can-

ming. The consular convention was signed in Washington Sept. 17, 1980, and later ratified by the U.S. Senate and the standing committee of China's National People's Congress.

In addition to its embassy in Peking, the United States has consulates general in Shanghai and Canton and has permission to open additional consulates in Shenyang, in northeast China, in Wuhan, on the Yangtze River in central China, and in Chengdu, capital of China's most populous province of Sichuan in the southwest.

China has an embassy in Washington and consulates in San Francisco and Houston, and has permission to set up additional consulates in New York, Chicago and Honolulu.

Greece to grant Russian request for ship repairs

ATHENS, Jan. 19 (AFP) — Greece is on the point of agreeing to a Soviet request that auxiliary ships from the Soviet war fleet be allowed to put in for repairs at Greek Navy shipyards, government spokesman Dimitri Maroudas said Monday night.

Maroudas emphasized that the agreement would cover only ships that carry medicines and food, and that the vessels would contain neither weapons nor military electronic equipment. The ships' crews would be civilian seamen, not navy men, Maroudas said, pointing out that France carries out repairs on Soviet ships.

Maroudas' statement came after reports in the U.S. press of the pending Greek-Soviet agreement. Greece and the Soviet Union had signed such an agreement in 1979, but it was not renewed in 1981, reportedly because of pressure from the interior minister at the time, Evangelos Averof. Averof is now opposition leader.

In Manhattan murder trial

Mailer defends prison writer

NEW YORK, Jan. 19 (R) — Author Norman Mailer has spoken for the defense in the murder trial of a prison writer he had sponsored for parole.

Mailer, Pulitzer-prize winning author of *The Executioner's Song* about an executed murderer, suggested Monday that defendant Jack Henry Abbott had been alienated by the rough area in which he was obliged to live. He said Abbott told him he hated New York's decaying Bowery District where he was required to stay under his parole conditions. "Instead of unwinding from prison, he was tightening up," Mailer said.

Abbott, 37, who has spent most of his life in jail, is on trial for the murder of Richard Adan, an aspiring actor, outside a restaurant on Manhattan's lower eastside last July 18. Mailer, who along with other literary figures was instrumental in obtaining Abbott's parole last June, said the accused longed to leave New York city for the country.

He added that Abbott spent a quiet summer weekend with him and his family after being paroled. Abbott, author of a book about brutalities in U.S. prison life called *In The Belly of The Beast* has pleaded not guilty to murder. He described Adan's death as a "tragic misunderstanding" resulting from the condition-

ing he underwent during 24 years in prison. He said he believed that Adan was approaching him menacingly. Excerpts from Abbott's book were read to the jury Tuesday.

Ugandan faces sedition charge

KAMPALA, Jan. 19 (AFP) — The acting secretary-general of Uganda's opposition Democratic Party, Anthony Ocaya, appeared in a local magistrate's court late Monday charged with sedition.

The charge sheet alleged that "he was found in possession of a seditious letter without reasonable excuse" on Jan. 14, the day he was picked up by security men in Kampala on his way home from work. Ocaya was remanded in custody until Wednesday when the magistrate will rule on his application for bail.

Ocaya was minister for planning and economic development in the three administrations which governed Uganda between the fall of Idi Amin in May 1979 and the December 1980 general elections, whose results are disputed by the Democratic Party.

Quake rocks New England

CONCORD, New Hampshire, Jan. 19 (AP) — An earthquake shook northern New England Monday evening with such force that some callers said they at first thought their furnaces had exploded.

Telephone service was disrupted around New Hampshire, but state police had no immediate reports of injuries or damage. The tremor also was felt in northern Vermont, where "everything was shaking," a radio reporter said. It also was felt in northeastern New York state.

Several strong tremors shook New England and adjoining sections of Canada Jan. 9, with aftershocks following for several days.

New Hampshire police said they got calls from throughout the state within seconds of the 7:15 p.m. (0005 GMT Tuesday) tremor. Police in the southwestern New Hampshire city of Keene said they got 100 calls in less than seven minutes. "It really shook us," said Rusty Green, a radio reporter in Laconia, in central New Hampshire. "Everyone who reported it said they thought their furnaces had blown up."

BRIEFS

MOSCOW (AFP) — A copy of the oldest known manuscript found in Europe 1,000 years ago will shortly be exhibited in the Soviet Union, the news agency Tass reported here. The manuscript, written exactly 1,000 years ago, was found in Armenia. Tass said, showing that the art of making paper was born at that time in Armenia.

VICTORIA (AFP) — Seven mercenaries arrested by Seychelles security forces after last November's bungled mercenary invasion were Tuesday remanded for a further 14 days in their second court appearance. Senior state counsel Pessy Pardiwalla told the court that charges would be ready within two weeks.

AVEZZANO, Italy, (AP) — Police raided an apartment in this city east of Rome Tuesday and arrested two West German citizens suspected of belonging to terrorist groups, police sources reported. The raid was conducted at dawn, but officials kept word of the operation secret for hours.

KAMPALA (AFP) — More than 150 detainees and prisoners were to be released Tuesday from the top security Luzira Prison outside Kampala, Uganda radio announced. The radio said the 155 men to be freed were "the second batch of those pardoned by President Milton Obote" on Jan. 1. The first batch of 35 released on Jan. 2 included four members of parliament from the opposition Democratic Party.

UMTALI, Eastern Zimbabwe, (AFP) — The Zimbabwe government ordered two Umtali primary schools not to open at the start of the school year Tuesday because their enrolments were racially unbalanced. Deputy Education Minister Joseph Culverwell told parents at a joint school board meeting Monday night that it appeared whites were afraid their children would be "swamped" by blacks.

ROSEAU, Dominica, (R) — Dominica police have laid murder charges against seven of 13 men detained after an abortive attempt to take over police headquarters and the main jail last month, director of public prosecutions Silvia Bertran said Tuesday. Armed, masked men mounted the attacks in an apparent attempt to overthrow the government of Prime Minister Eugenia Charles.

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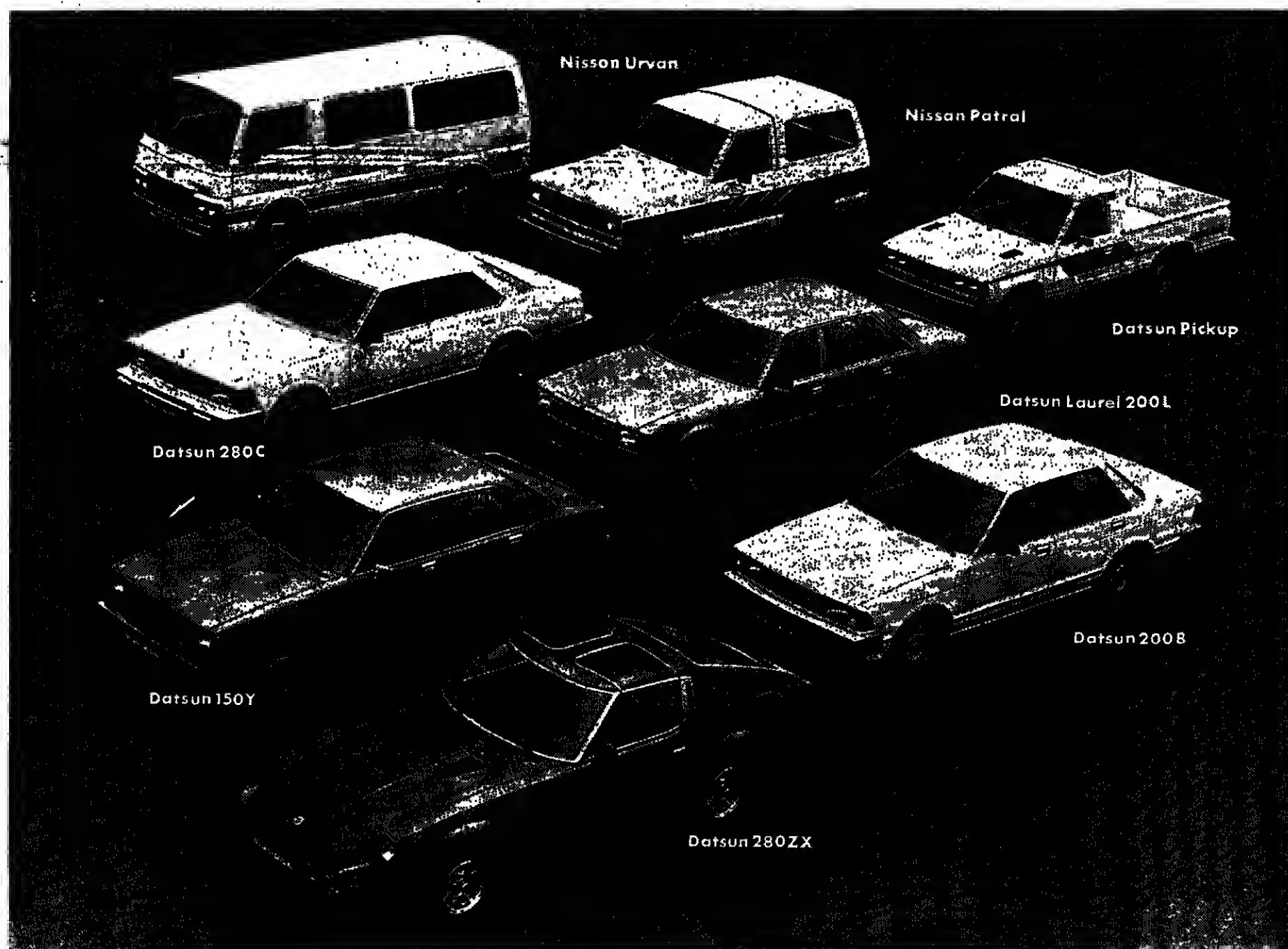
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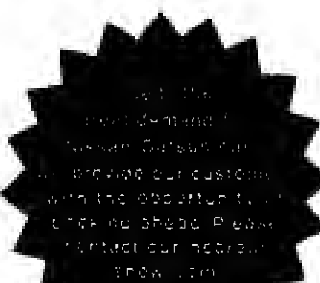


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Food cost up from Feb. 1

Poland tempers price hike with pay rises

WARSAW, Jan. 19, (R) — Poland's military authorities have announced plans for huge increases in food prices from Feb. 1, but have sweetened what they acknowledge will be an unwelcome move by raising wages in compensation.

The Polish news agency PAP said Monday night that the government's economic committee had proposed that food and fuel increases of between 200 and 400 percent should come into force Feb. 1. Wages would be increased at the same time. Previous attempts by Polish governments to put up food prices caused widespread social unrest and were a major factor in the labor revolt which led to the founding of the now suspended Solidarity independent trade union and ultimately to last month's imposition of martial law.

Deputy Prime Minister Mieczyslaw Rakowski Monday quashed speculation about an early end to military rule, telling a press conference here: "No politician today could say precisely when this state will end." But he added: "One thing is certain: we do not treat martial law as a normal phenomenon. This policy may not please everybody, but we who live here... want to remain here within the borders that emerged after World

War II. We want to be a sovereign state which decides its own destiny."

A weekend statement by the Polish ambassador in London that Solidarity leader Lech Walesa would soon be released from house arrest brought a cool reaction from Deputy Foreign Minister Jozef Wierzbicki Monday. Maybe what the ambassador said was interpreted in too optimistic a way," Wierzbicki said.

Rakowski said he could imagine a situation in which Walesa would have no part in shaping Poland's future. But he added: "That does not mean I have crossed Walesa off." Possible relaxation of the emergency restric-

tions was discussed Monday by representatives of the government and the Roman Catholic Church.

The church officials again voiced their concern over actions in Poland which they said violated human dignity. But the official PAP news agency said the meeting "was unequivocally critical of decisions by Western governments on blocking aid to Poland."

PAP did not say who attended the talks, which took place at the first reported session of a joint commission of government and episcopate representatives since martial law was imposed on the country last Dec. 13. The

government's economic committee said in its announcement of plans for food price increases that it was aware that the move "could not possibly be welcome by society — for no such proposal would," but it hoped the increases would "meet social understanding."

The committee said the proposed prices were lower than real costs but that the difference would be subsidized by the government to preserve living standards. Pay increases to help with increased bills would be worked out on a two-part system, it said, with basic compensation for most workers of 750 zlotys (\$ 9.37) a month, rising to 1,400 zlotys (\$17.5) for underground miners.

The second part of compensation would be graded according to earnings, ranging from 700 zlotys (\$8.75) a month for those earning 4,500 zlotys (\$56.3) or less, down to nothing for those with more than 13,000 zlotys (\$162.5). It said the compensation system for workers was aimed to be as fair as possible but that the authorities could not guarantee that the effects would be the same for everyone. Warsaw radio reported earlier that the authorities had approved plan to prevent the hoarding of grain and encourage workers to deliver more cereals to the state.

Error sends Honduran pumps dry

TEGUCIGALPA, Jan. 19 (R) — Honduras is on the point of running out of petrol because of an official mistake, Trade Minister Ruben Mondrago said Tuesday.

He said that only 35 of the country's 210 petrol stations still had some petrol and it would be exhausted by the end of the day. The shortage forced some factories to close and paralysed road transport.

Mondrago blamed a banking error which, he said, meant that Mexico and Venezuela did not receive this month's payment for supplying oil to Honduras.

The two countries normally export 14,000 barrels of oil a day to Honduras. Mondrago said the payment had now been made, but in the meantime Honduras had asked El Salvador and Panama for oil to ease the situation.

Boosting exports

Pakistan to tap Gulf market

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19 (AP) — Pakistan's new planning chief said Monday one of his main objectives will be to increase food exports to the Middle East, a goal he sees as helping free the area from dependence on the United States and Canada.

Mahbub ul-Haq has been serving as head of policy planning for the World Bank. He said in an interview that he hopes to take up his new job early in February.

He wants to increase production of wheat, rice, fruits and vegetables and intends to look into the possibility of livestock as well, especially poultry. "If we can create surpluses, we have a ready market," he said.

At a meeting in Vienna last November he discussed with Saudi Arabian Oil Minister Ahmad Zaki Yamani and other high Arab officials a plan for a "food security area" comprising Pakistan, Saudi Arabia and other Gulf states. The oil states would supply Pakistan, which has no oil, with \$1 billion a year for fertilizer and other necessities for increasing farm production.

The money would be provided, he said in an earlier interview, either as a loan or as an investment with a guaranteed 15 or 20 percent return in the form of food rather than cash. He said the Gulf area has become 80 percent dependent on North America for its food imports, and these shipments are "vulnerable to any change in natural as well

as political weather."

He said he knew there had been a lot of speculation in Pakistan on what he intends to do about nationalized industries. He said he does not want to deal with the question on an ideological basis.

"If an industry is doing well," he explained, "I don't want to denationalize it just for the sake of ideology... I believe in high production and better distribution and I'm willing to accept any blend that will bring them about. I'd rather go from objectives to means than from means to objectives."

Mahbub also promised to devote attention to the better use of the money sent home by about a million Pakistanis working in the Gulf states. He estimated their remittances as high as \$3 billion a year — three quarters of Pakistan's earnings of foreign exchange.

Much of the money is spent by their families to buy needed food, Haq said, but too much of it is going on "durable" consumer goods. "They buy radios even when they have no electricity — it becomes a prestige symbol," he added.

He said there is a greater need for services such as schools and clean water. He suggested cooperation between the government and the private sector — what he called "investment houses" — to provide the services.

Senator sees upturn in economy

By Freeman Gregory
Houston Bureau

HOUSTON, Jan. 19 — U.S. Senator Lloyd M. Bentsen, D-Texas, told a gathering of businessmen here Tuesday morning that the U.S. economy is beginning to flower again thanks to radical measures taken by government and industry.

However, the ranking minority member of the Senate International Trade Subcommittee said that a full recovery can not even be considered unless U.S. industry begins to make as big a dent in foreign markets as other countries have made here. "Sure, I'm for free trade," Sen. Bentsen said, "but for fair trade as well."

The Texas senator cited trade barriers erected by prosperous industrialized countries such as Japan and West Germany as a major problem to fair trade.

Bentsen said that his late model Chevrolet "Citation" automobile cost him about \$8,500 (\$R28,900) in the United States while trade barriers in Japan would drive up the cost of the same vehicle to an estimated \$15,000 (\$R51,000). Meanwhile, the cost of a Japanese car in Japan remains approximately the same as it is here, thereby effectively discouraging Japanese residents from buying American cars in their own country.

On a recent trip to Japan, Bentsen said that he tried to convince Japanese officials to purchase more "Texas beef" than they were importing at that time. The officials said that they were already purchasing 16,000 tons of the commodity.

He charged that U.S. industry must become more aggressive in foreign markets and more aware of the activities of their foreign competitors within their domestic markets. Bentsen used the television manufacturing industry as an example of the dangers involved in being lax in maintaining an awareness of foreign competition in domestic markets.

He said that a few years ago, foreign manufacturers introduced several lines of relatively inexpensive black and white televisions into American markets. U.S. manufacturers responded by dismissing the competition as insignificant, because the product was a low cost item. Today, foreign television manufac-

turers own a major share of the American market and U.S. firms are hurting.

Bentsen said that U.S. industry must begin replacing outdated equipment with devices comparable to that used so effectively by industrial superpowers like Japan and West Germany.

France, Russia resume gas talks

PARIS, Jan. 19 (AFP) — French and Soviet negotiations on the "deal of the century" for the delivery of Siberian natural gas resumed Monday and will probably last to the end of the week, Gaz de France sources said here Monday. The location of the talks, somewhere in France, is being kept secret.

The two sides have already agreed in general that the Soviets will deliver 6,000 million cubic meters of Siberian gas to France for 25 years, starting in 1984. The West German firm Ruhrgas signed a gas contract with the Soviets last November. However, it did not disclose the price.

West Germany is due to receive about 10,500 million cubic meters of Siberian gas a year, Italy about 8,500 million cubic meters, and Austria, the Netherlands, Belgium and Switzerland about 12,000 million cubic meters.

French companies have also won contracts worth more than 3,500 million francs (about \$500 million) for the building of a gas pipeline from Siberia to Western Europe nearly 5,000 kms. long.

The Gaz de France sources denied that the French government had put any pressure on it to reduce the scope of gas purchases, despite United States opposition to the deal. It is widely expected that the United States will use the coordination committee for the multilateral control of exports to Comecon countries to pressure Western Europe to reduce economic links with the Soviet Union.



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Russia fails to meet oil production goal

MOSCOW, Jan. 19 (AP) — Soviet Oil production last year grew by less than 1 percent and fell short of the modest output figure the nation had set for itself in the first year of the current five-year plan.

It was the second straight year in which the country failed to meet its oil production goal, even though output in 1981, as in past years, set a new record. State-run Radio Moscow, which released the figures Tuesday, put 1981 Soviet output at 609 million tons (12.18 million bpd), six million tons better than the 1980 record of 603 million tons (12.06 million bpd). However, production was marginally below the 1981 goal of 610 million tons (12.20 million bpd).

The 1981 target of 610 million tons automatically slashed from the original 1980 projection of 620 to 640 million tons, indicating the Soviet Union had entered the 1980s with declining expectations about the future growth of its mammoth oil industry. Last November, the Soviet Union's chief economic planner said the 1985 target was 630 million tons, below the highest expectations originally outlined for 1980.

The oil ministry said 1981 production grew largely because of the development of new oil in Western Siberia. Soviet oil production

almost quadrupled between 1950 and 1960, and more than doubled between 1960 and 1970.

One view is that the slowdown in growth rates is attributable to the maturing of the Soviet economy. However, Western experts also believe the slowdown reflects difficulties that the Soviets are experiencing extracting oil. Western analysts have long considered oil production a key to determining Soviet behavior overseas.

Some Western analysts have voiced fears that the Kremlin might be tempted to seize Middle Eastern oil region if as the CIA predicted in the late 1970s, Soviet oil production level would decline. The Soviets have consistently denied that they have any need for Middle East oil or any intention of grabbing it.

The CIA study said Soviet oil production would peak in the first half of this decade and then decline. Western analysts also consider Soviet export of oil to its Eastern European allies a key to the political control it continues to exert there. Tuesday's Radio Moscow report said that in 1981 the Soviets delivered 80 million tons (1.6 million bpd) to its trade partners in the Eastern bloc council for mutual economic assistance. That was believed to be unchanged from 1980.

France to set new terms of compensation

PARIS, Jan. 19 (AP) — The French government plans to propose revised compensation terms to stockholders of banks and corporations affected by its nationalization program, based entirely on the market price of the stocks of these concerns, according to informed sources Tuesday.

The reference period chosen is the six months up to March 31, 1981 and the government has decided to add on 14 percent to adjust for inflation, the sources said.

The new proposals will be submitted to the council of state, which advises on the legality of proposed legislation.

Another body, the constitutional council, ruled last weekend that the original compensation terms for the takeover of the nation's major private banks and five leading industrial groups were unconstitutional.

Under that plan, the market value of stock represented only 50 percent of the indemnity, the other criteria being net worth and earnings performance with an equal weighting.

The sources said the government has also decided to pay a dividend on the 1981 earnings of the nationalizable companies and banks. The amount payable will be equivalent to the 1980 per-share dividend plus 14 percent to take into account inflation.

Gold rallies as dollar slumps

LONDON, Jan. 19 (AP) — Gold bullion rallied in trading in Europe Tuesday from a 28-month low reached the day before. The U.S. dollar slumped when expected interest rate rises in New York failed to materialize.

Bullion dealers in London said the dollar's weakness appeared to have affected gold trading as so often happens in times of uncertainty. Other dealers said some investors felt gold had been oversold last week and "now gold is trying to find a new trading range."

Foreign Exchange traders had expected U.S. interest rates to rise strongly Monday after Friday's big jump in the supply of money which the Federal Reserve Board has been trying to curb in its anti-inflation battle.

Turkey, USSR sign trade pact

ANKARA, Turkey, Jan. 19 (AP) — Shrugging off U.S. calls for curbing economic ties with the Soviet Union, Turkey on Tuesday signed a major trade pact with its northern neighbor.

Officials from both sides signed a new trade agreement that calls for a boost in volume of trade by 30 percent in the current year. The protocol sets a target of \$600 million in the two-way trade between NATO-member Turkey and the Soviet Union, up from \$450 million last year.

Closing gold prices (in U.S. dollars per troy ounce):

London	374.625
Paris	374.54
Frankfurt	379.03
Zurich	375.50
Hong Kong	378.03

London commodities

	Tuesday	Monday
Gold (\$ per ounce)	374.50	374.00
Silver cash (pence per ounce)	413.70	417.00
3 months	429.00	432.00
Copper cash	859.00	855.00
3 months	888.00	885.00
Tin cash	8460.00	8473.00
3 months	7900.00	7935.00
Lead cash	341.00	331.00
3 months	352.75	344.00
Zinc cash	429.00	424.00
3 months	436.50	430.00
Aluminium cash	588.00	589.00
3 months	612.75	614.00
Nickel cash	2965.00	2970.00
3 months	3022.50	3025.00
Sugar March	172.40	175.00
May	175.60	178.90
Coffee January	1136.00	1143.00
March	1118.50	1126.00
Cocoa March	1216.00	1208.00
May	1204.50	1201.00

Note: Prices in pounds per metric ton.
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Zia urges food 'action plan'

ROME, Jan. 19 (IFAD) — President Zia ul-Haq of Pakistan Tuesday urged the development of an international "comprehensive program of action" to deal with emergency food needs as well as long-term agricultural development.

Addressing the fifth session of the governing council of the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), the president also warned that "the frustration and insecurity of those living in conditions of misery and poverty can no longer be confined within the national frontiers". This was bound to cause a "serious threat" to world stability, peace and security.

President Zia urged "adequate replenishment" of IFAD's resources, so that the "momentum of considerable successes"

Japan, Australia sign uranium pact

CANBERRA, Jan. 19 (R) — Australia and Japan initialled an agreement which clears the way for the Japanese to import Australian uranium over the next 15 years in their bid to reduce reliance on Middle East oil.

The safeguards agreement limits the use and reprocessing of the uranium destined for the nuclear power industry in Japan, which has virtually no indigenous energy resources.

Australia, in common with other exporters of nuclear fuel, insists on such agreements with its customers, who also include the European Economic Community. It holds some 20 percent of the world's reserves of uranium oxide or "yellowcake."

The Japanese are chiefly interested in its biggest uranium operation at Jabiluka in northern territory, known as the Ranger Mine and operated by energy resources of Australia.

Production started late last year, but exports were threatened by a dockworkers' union ban on handling them, imposed on political and environmental grounds. The ban has been temporarily lifted.

The agreement with Japan requires ratification but an Australian spokesman said both governments would try to complete the procedures to avoid undue delay to shipments.

BRIEFS

CAIRO, (R) — Japan will lend about \$200 million to Egypt this year, Japanese Finance Minister Michio Watanabe said Tuesday after talks with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. About \$50 million will be used in the second stage of a project to expand the Suez Canal and the rest will be spent on agricultural and waterworks projects.

PARIS, (AFP) — Commercial bankruptcies jumped 20 percent in France last year in the "blackest" year for many businesses since 1978, the National Institute of Statistics and Economic Studies (INSEE) announced here Monday. It said that, despite a "certain stabilization" later in the year, nearly 21,000 firms went under — a much bigger annual jump than the 12.6 percent registered in 1978, 10 percent in 1979 or 9.5 percent in 1980.

OSAKA, (AFP) — Executives from Japanese Nissan will be in London next month to finalize a British vehicle assembly project estimated to cost \$700 million, the company President Takashi Ishihara said Tuesday. A decision had yet to be made, but Nissan's feasibility study was basically favorable, Takashi said. He saw "no obstacles" to going ahead with the British plan, he said.

TAIPEI, (CNA): State enterprise China Steel Corp. (CSC) of the Republic of China will export its technology to Indonesia, Malaysia and Brazil as a way to expand its business, a CSC spokesman said. "We decided to expand our business scope by exporting our technology to these countries as a start-up," he said.

Allies unhappy as Reagan marks a year in office

PARIS, Jan. 19 (AFP) — President Ronald Reagan will celebrate his first year in the White House Wednesday amid growing concern among America's Western allies about the international impact of present American economic policy.

Economic policymakers in many European capitals fear the current U.S. recession could be deeper and longer than now expected by the Reagan administration, and might further delay a hoped-for modest recovery this year in Western Europe, faced with an increasingly serious problem of rising unemployment.

The policymakers are deeply worried about the possibility — some privately say the likelihood — that world interest rates will remain at exceptionally high level right into next year if there are no adjustments to U.S. policy.

With a few exceptions, including Britain and Switzerland, the program initiated a year ago by the Reagan administration — based on severe monetary restraint to beat back inflation, a tax cutting package, sweeping cutbacks in federal spending and a general free market approach including non-intervention on exchange markets — earned little enthusiasm in European countries.

Toyota, Nissan sales record fall

TOKYO, Jan. 19 (R) — Japan's two biggest carmakers said Tuesday their exports dropped in 1981 for the first time in several years because of limits on sales by some countries and the world recession.

Toyota, Japan's biggest producer, said its exports dropped by nearly four percent to 1.7 million vehicles. The decline was the first for Toyota in three years. Nissan, maker of Datsuns, said its exports declined for the first time in nine years by two per cent to 1.44 million.

Toyota attributed its decline to curbs on exports to North America and most European Economic Community (EEC) countries, as well as the recession and exchange rate fluctuations.

Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday:			
	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar		9.00	9.08
Bangladesh Taka		—	14.85
Belgian Franc (1,000)		—	—
Canadian Dollar		—	287.00
Deutsche Mark (100)	149.70	149.30	149.30
Dutch Guilder (100)	137.00	136.60	136.60
Egyptian Pound	3.50	3.93	3.93
Emirate Dirham (100)	93.00	93.15	93.15
French Franc (100)	58.80	58.65	58.65
Greek Drachma (1,000)	55.50	58.40	58.40
Indian Rupee (100)	—	37.50	37.50
Iranian Rial (100)	—	—	—
Israeli Dinar	6.50	—	—
Italian Lira (10,000)	28.20	28.00	28.00
Japanese Yen (1,000)	—	15.30	15.30
Jordanian Dinar	10.06	9.97	9.97
Kuwaiti Dinar	12.12	12.08	12.08
Lebanese Lira (100)	73.25	72.95	72.95
Moroccan Dirham (100)	60.50	63.95	63.95
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	33.60	33.60
Philippines Peso (100)	—	41.75	41.75
Pound Sterling	6.58	6.48	6.48
Qatari Rial (100)	94.00	94.05	94.05
Singapore Dollar (100)	—	166.30	166.30
Spanish Peseta (1,000)	—	34.90	34.90
Swiss Franc (100)	185.65	185.30	185.30
Syrian Lira (100)	—	63.50	63.50
Turkish Lira (1,000)	—	—	—
U.S. Dollar	3.429	3.422	3.422
Yemeni Rial (100)	75.00	74.90	74.90

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Eastern Province Education Dept.	Maintenance of the cooling system, the electricity network and the water pipes of some schools.	23	200	31-1-1982
" "	Construction of a pre-fab school at Abraq Al-Kibrit.	22	100	25-1-82
Western Province Agriculture and Water Department	Laying pipes in two villages as part of Namira project.	23	500	31-1-82

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SHIPS MOVEMENTS UP TO 0700 HOURS ON 24TH RABI AL AWAL 1402/ 19TH JANUARY 1982

No.	Ship Name	O.C.E.	General/Office	18-1-82
3	Kota Selamat	Algasabi	Bagged Barley	16-1-82
5	Emergetic	Algasabi	Bagged Barley	15-1-82
6	Vortex Mariner	A.E.T.	Contrs/Trailers/Car	18-1-82
10	Commandate Revello	A.E.T.	Stl. Bar/Con. Egypt.	18-1-82
18	Balder Chumachow	M.E.S.A.	Pipes/Lub. Oil/Poles	16-1-82
12	Saudi Falcon	Alfreza	Gen/Cement/Steel	17-1-82
13	Koskar Thetis	Rolaco	Bulk Cement	16-1-82
18	Achilles	Alsbah	Bulk Cement	17-1-82
19	Argan Sky	Alpha	Bagd Barley/Bgd. Sorg.	14-1-82
20	Al Hijazi	S.S.M.S.C.	Contrs/Thmb/Ldg. Mty	18-1-82
22	Asangal Might	Kanoo	H. Lifts/Cable/Gen	18-1-82
24	Al Rayyan	Alfreza	Gen/Heavy Vehicles	15-1-82
27	Futani Maru	Najd	General/To load	18-1-82
28	Artemon	Star	Fruits	12-1-82
29	Scirocco Universal	O.C.E.	Frozen Chicken	11-1-82
30	Samos Storm	Alatas	Containers	19-1-82
35	Nedboyd van Diemen	Alfreza	Containers	18-1-82
36	Frankfurt Express	Sadaka	Sesame Seeds	14-1-82/89
38	Mazin	Star	Durra/Sesame Seeds	16-1-82
40	Sum Ace	A.E.T.	Vehicles	18-1-82
41	Sakura Reefer	O.C.E.	Fruits/Eggs	15-1-82
42	Domina	A.E.T.	Vehicles	18-1-82
43	Imperial Star	M.E.S.A.	Tiles/Timber	17-1-82

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Berth	Name of ship	Agents	Type of Cargo	Arri.
1	Socrate	Gosaiabi	Bagged Barley	13-1-82
N-2	Lago	Alsaada	Rice-Gen	17-1-82
4	Eastern Splandour	Gosaiabi	General	17-1-82
5	Vortex Mariner	UEP	Steel Pipes	15-1-82
7	Golden Venture	Alsaada	Steel	18-1-82
9	Copper Trader	Barber	Loading Urea	15-1-82
11	Maldiva, Noble	Orri	Bulk CGrain	17-1-82
12	Bahar Alslam	SEA	Timber	6-1-82
13	Neptune Cyprine	SMC	Steel/Gen	17-1-82
14	Gatadic	AET	Roro	18-1-82
15	Kriti Pearl	Kanoo	General	15-1-82
17	Hinglat	SEA	Bagged Barley	12-1-82
18	Adelphi Yemalos	Alsaada	General	18-1-82
19	Wakastige Maru	Kanoo	General	18-1-82
21	Queen Emergald	AET	Cars	18-1-82
22	Jbn Bassam	Kanoo	Loading Gen	19-1-82
25	Costa Ligure	Gosaiabi	Contrs/Roro	18-1-82
28	Spartan Reefer	OCE	Reefar	14-1-82
29	Alshabiah	Saita	Bagged Flour-Wheat	16-1-82
30	Baltic Frezer	Barber	Raffer	18-1-82
31	Hapag Lloyd Trier	Alfreza	General	17-1-82
32	Nedboyd Bahrain	Kanoo	General	17-1-82
33	Consuelo Star	Shobokshi	General	19-1-82
36	Evelyn Maersk	Kanoo	General/Confs	17-1-82
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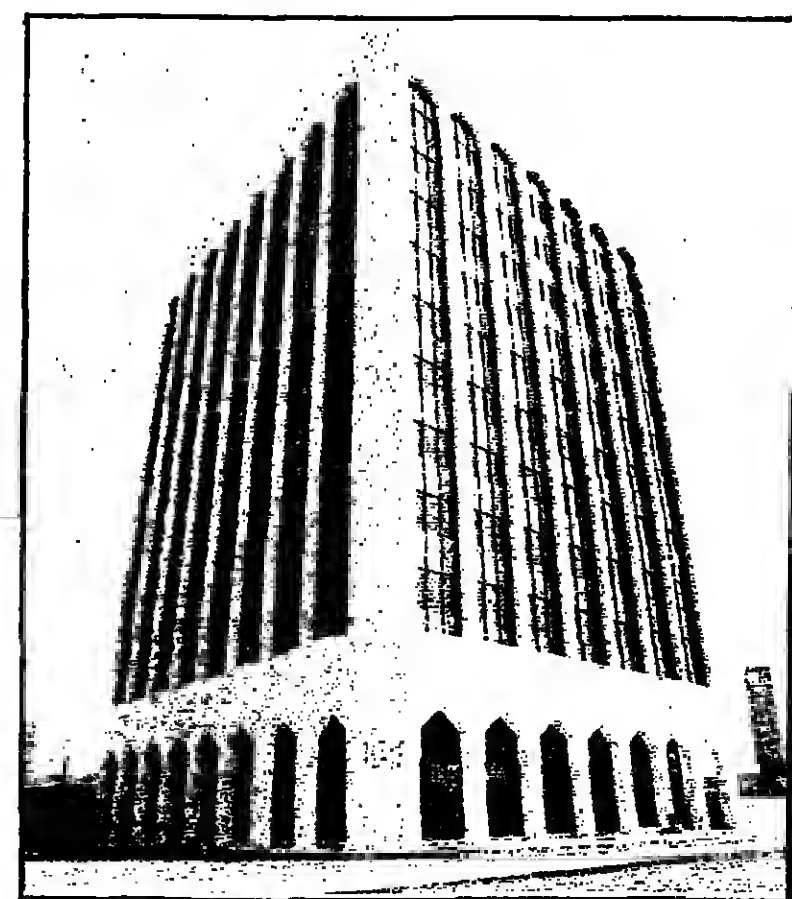
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In a thriller

Run-rate sees Aussies through

SYDNEY, Jan. 19 (Agencies) — Allan Border, running out of partners, powered Australia to a cliff-hanger win in the last of the preliminary games of the Benson and Hedges World Series Cricket Cup at the Sydney Cricket ground Tuesday night.

The win came via a fractionally superior run rate in a rain-interrupted and finally stopped match over the West Indies. Victory also piloted Australia into the finals of the World Series Cup, which start in Melbourne

next Saturday, at the expense of Pakistan. When rain stopped play Australia was 168 for seven, chasing a target of 190 to win.

A crowd of 52,053, a record for a night game, cheered every desperate run as Border battled his way ahead of the run rate required. The last two overs, one by Michael Holding, the other by Joel Garner, yielded 11 runs each in a flurry of stroke-making which turned the tables for Australia.

When play stopped, Border was 30 not out

and his partner, tailender Len Pascoe, was grimly defending the other end and had yet to score.

Skipper Greg Chappell said: "We knew we were in front when the rain came. We have maintained our Sydney unbeaten record and it's a pity the first two games of the finals are not being played in Sydney. We played well enough and deserved to win." "The West Indies has the best one day side in the world but we fought all the way," Chappell added. "We have been going well right at the end of the series. The target now is to win the two in Melbourne but if we get only one I'll be happy." Chappell said. Acting West Indies skipper Vivian Richards said: "The Australians bowled well and kept a good line. But with 189 on the board I thought we were in with a chance."

The margin between the runs required — 164 at the 43 over mark — and the total of 168 for seven could well have been the four overthrows by Sylvester Clarke during the latter part of the Australian innings. The final points tally put Australia level on eight with Pakistan and West Indies well in front on 14. But the Australian strike rate was better for runs scored per 100 balls bowled and the home team passed the unlucky Pakistanis.

Australia won the toss Tuesday and sent the West Indians in to bat. The tourists are carrying injuries which caused team manager Steve Comacho to say: "We haven't been able to put our best side into the field in Australia yet."

Skipper Clive Lloyd withdrew, still suffering from influenza, regular wicketkeeper David Murray has a broken finger and Augustine Logie is suffering a broken nose from practice in Brisbane. Vivian Richards played almost a lone hand with 64 in a total of 189 made in 137 minutes, including six fours. The consistent Jeffrey Dujon hit up 30 and Malcolm Marshall was 32 not out at the end of the innings.

Australian paceman Len Pascoe celebrated his return to the top class cricket with three wickets for 44.

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Weaver wins first round

Court stays Holmes-Cooney title bout

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 19 (AP) — World Boxing Association heavyweight champion Mike Weaver's attorney says he has obtained a temporary restraining order halting promotion and ticket sales for the World Boxing council heavyweight title fight between Larry Holmes and Gerry Cooney.

Holmes and Cooney are scheduled to fight March 15 at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas, Nevada. "Mike has no desire to cause any harm to Larry Holmes, who he thinks very highly of, or (to) Caesars Palace," Weaver's attorney George Glasco, said late Monday. "But he has his rights to protect and plans on doing that."

Glasco released a statement saying that the order was issued by superior court judge Charles E. Gones, and said that a hearing will be held in superior court Feb. 4 in Pomona. The whole thing is based on the fact that Mike had a signed contract with Gerry Cooney which was based on the condition that Mike defeat Bull Terrell on Oct. 10, which he did," said Glasco. "We were supposed to fight Cooney within six months thereafter. Party to that agreement were Tiffany Productions, Caesars Palace and Gerry Cooney." Weaver's manager, Don Manuel, was not available for comment.

Meanwhile, Trevor Berbick, the Canadian and Commonwealth heavyweight champion, said he is close to a deal to fight Weaver in Zimbabwe in March.



Gerry Cooney

Berick said he has been dealing with a promoter in Las Vegas to fight Weaver. "He has a commitment with me," the boxer said through his agent in New York.

If the deal falls through, Berbick said he will defend his Canadian title against Gord Racette of Vancouver. He further added that if he lands the Weaver deal, the Canadian Association will most likely set back the deadline for a title defense until after the fight.

Berick said he is dealing directly with the Weaver camp without the aid of New



Larry Holmes

York promoter King, who sponsored Berbick's first shot at a world title against Larry Holmes in Las Vegas. "I can get Weaver without King," he said.

The offer for the fight in Africa is the most attractive Berbick has received since he defeated Muhammad Ali in Nassau, Bahamas, in December. Berbick wouldn't disclose how much money has been offered for a fight against Weaver but he said it would be his biggest payday. He received an estimated \$300,000 to fight Ali. "I would fight for the title for peanuts if I had to," he said.

Score-board

West Indies:		Australia:	
G. Greenidge b Lillee	1	G. Wood c Roberts b Holding	1
D. Haynes b Malone	5	R. Darling c Clarke b Roberts	34
V. Richards b Thomson	64	J. Dujon b Garner	37
L. Gomes c Marsh b Pascoe	3	G. Chappell bow Roberts	0
F. Bacchus b Hughes b Malone	20	K. Hughes b Roberts	25
J. Dujon b Thomson	30	A. Border not out	30
M. Marshall not out	32	R. Marsh c Greenidge b Marshall	12
V. Roberts c Wood b Pascoe	9	D. Lillee b Holding	6
M. Holding c Marsh b Pascoe	9	L. Pascoe not out	23
S. Clarke b Lillee	16	Extras	2
J. Garner run out	2	Total (for 7 wickets)	168
Extras	7		
Total	189		

Fall of wickets: 1-2, 2-23, 3-40, 4-79, 5-103, 6-137, 7-155, 8-156, 9-182.

Bowling: Lillee 10-0-47-2; Thomson 10-1-36-2; Pascoe 10-0-44-3; Malone 10-1-27-2; Chappell 10-0-28-0.

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Fancied Mouton crashes out

MONTE CARLO, Jan. 19 (AFP) — The Monte Carlo Rally nightmare continued for pre-competition favorites Audi Quattro early Tuesday when the West German firm's talented 30-year-old French driver Michele Mouton crashed out of the event.

Miss Mouton, who at San Remo last autumn became the first woman ever to win a World Championship Rally, had just moved into third overall place behind the leading Opel Asconas of West Germans Walter Rohrl and Jochi Kleint when the accident occurred.

After notching up the scratch time through the famous 22 kms Turini pass — the first of 13 special stages of the gruelling 1500 kms. common run — Mouton's Quattro smashed into a bridge on the 24 kms run between Miolans and St. Auhau.

Mouton, who comes from nearby Grasse, and her Italian co-driver Fabrizia Pons escaped serious injury. But their car was too badly damaged to continue. Audi's hopes of success in this year's Rally, already seriously compromised by the lack of snow, now rest on the shoulders of their experienced Finnish driver Hannu Mikkola, who with his Swedish co-driver Arne Hertz were lying in overall fourth place.

Meanwhile the Opel Asconas and Porsche entries continued to revel in the dry conditions and Walter Rohrl and Christian Geistdorfer held a lead of more than one minute over their compatriot teammates Jochi Kleint and Gunter Wanger. Frenchman Guy Fre-

quelin and Jean-Francois Fauchille were in third place in their Porsche followed by Mikola and Hertz.

Burly Normandy garage owner Jean-Luc Therier and his compatriot Michel Vial, who came so close to victory in last year's event before crashing on the final night, notched up the scratch time for the second time trial to move into 5th place.

They were followed by the works-assisted Renault 5 turbos of French crews Bruno Saby and Francois Sappey, and Dany Snoeck and Denise Emanuelli. Twice-winner of the rally (1969, 1970) Bjorn Waldegaard of Sweden, who dropped down the standings after puncturing on the classification run, had moved back into eighth place.

Prost dazzles on Kyalami track

KYALAMI, Johannesburg, Jan. 19 (AFP) — France's Alain Prost at the wheel of his Renault turbo twice broke the unofficial track record in early trials here Monday for Saturday's World Championship opener, the South African Formula One Grand Prix.

Prost, one of the favorites for this year's title, was timed at 1:6.58 minutes beating the 1:6.74 set last week by reigning world champion Nelson Piquet of Brazil in his turbo-charged Brabham. Prost improved on his time with 1:5.83 confirming his form and the domination of turbo-charged cars here.

He said afterwards, "The Kyalami circuit is extremely good. I reached terrific speeds on the straight. My car is perfectly tuned. I think

the time for the pole position will be under 1:05 minutes."

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Stenmark leaves field way behind

ADELBODEN, Jan. 19 (AFP) — The Ingemar Stenmark show rolled on inevitably here Tuesday when he won yet another World Cup Giant Slalom with the others way behind.

Stenmark in the past few weeks has all but cowed his major rivals into thinking that he has once again reached near-invincibility and that the World Championships, at the end of this month, are a foregone conclusion.

In Sunday's performance the Swede broke the record win margin for a World Cup event, head of the second placed Phil Mahre and Tuesday again it was ahead of World Cup leader Phil Mahre. Mahre finished in 2:36.41 to Stenmark's 2:34.25 with third place going unexpectedly to the young Swiss skier Max Julien in 2:36.82.

Meanwhile, Sylvia Eder, a 16-year-old Austrian, scored the first win of her budding career when she beat the world's best to win the second Badgastein Women's World Cup Downhill in the Austrian Alps.

Eder finished in 1:58.10 to edge ahead of one of the resurgent French school Elisabeth Chaud (1:58.27) with Monday's winner, Holly Beth Flanders of the U.S. Third in 1:58.33.

Flyer keeps sailing high

MAR DEL PLATA, Argentina, Jan. 19 (AFP) — Peter Blake of New Zealand, aboard Ceramco was the second of the Whitbread Round-The-World Yacht contestants to reach the third-leg finish here Tuesday, a matter of hours behind the first boat home, Flyer, skippered by Cutchman Cornelius Van Rietschoten.

It is for the second successive time that Ceramco took the runners-up place on absolute time behind Flyer, after dismasting on the first leg.

On the second leg from Cape Town to Auckland, Blake steered Ceramco to top place on handicapped time to finish only a few hours behind the Dutch boat.

Blake said, "We never had any really bad storms. The wind was ideal for speed, from 30 to 35 knots carrying us up to Cape Horn. Therefore, on three successive days we were able to cover 315, 302 and 322 miles. The smaller boats still at sea are struggling with winds of more than 60 knots. It's just not the same course."

Ceramco will now start favorite on the final leg to Plymouth, but only the crews initiative kept them going five days before the arrival when its mast was half severed. The New

Zealand boat arrived in the early hours of the morning to a near deserted quay, but were cheered to find the Flyer crew still there to welcome them.

Flyer covered the 5,800 miles from Auckland, New Zealand, in 24 days, one hour, 22 minutes, and 30 seconds. It was the yacht's third successive triumph in the six-month ocean ordeal, having been first across the finish line in both the opening Portsmouth to Cape Town leg and the second Cape Town to Auckland leg. Skippered by its 56-year-old owner Cornelius Van Rietschoten, the 23.20-meter 34-ton single-hull sloop crossed the perilous Cape Horn section of the race at an average 10.2 knots.

Visibly Flyer was in almost flawless condition on arrival at this ocean resort and skipper Van Rietschoten declared his conviction that another win on absolute time on the final leg across the Atlantic to Plymouth was within his grasp.

The next yacht home sometime later Tuesday is expected to be Eric Tabarly and another French boat, Charles Heidsieck III, skippered by Alain Gabbay, is expected to take an overall handicapped lead by arriving on Wednesday.

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Ipswich, Tottenham stumble into semis

LONDON, Jan. 19 (AFP) — Ipswich Town kept on course for a unique "treble" when they beat Second Division Watford 2-1 in the English League Cup quarterfinal home at Portman Road Monday night.

However, the East Anglian club who lead Division One and meet Luton Town in the English F.A. Cup fourth round, did not have things all their own way.

John Wark gave Ipswich the lead after 52 minutes, but three minutes later John Barnes headed the equalizer for Watford. It took a 67th minute goal from Scottish international Alan Brazil to secure Bobby Robson's team a semifinal place.

Tottenham Hotspur joined Ipswich in the last four of the competition with a 1-0 home victory over Nottingham Forest. Peter Shilton, England's goalkeeper, gave a brilliant first half display to keep out the Spurs but was eventually beaten after 58 minutes by Argentine international Oscar Ardiles.

Shilton twice saved a three-times taken first half penalty by his England teammate Glen Hoddle. Shilton saved the first attempt, but moved too soon, Hoddle netted the second when a Tottenham player strayed into

the area and then the England keeper brilliantly palmed away the third attempt. Yet it was not good enough to keep his side in the match.

Billy Hamilton, the Northern Ireland international, netted a hat-trick as Burnley blasted non-league Altrincham 6-1 at Burnley.

Colchester United, the Fourth Division promotion challengers, put up a tremendous fight before going down 3-4 after extra time to Newcastle in the third round replay.

London club Queen's Park Rangers also snatched an extra time winner against Middlesbrough to earn a fourth round match at Blackpool.

Meanwhile, Atletico Madrid's President, Doctor Alfonso Cabeza, has been suspended by the Spanish Football Federation competition committee for the fourth time in two years following incidents at last Sunday's local Derby at home to Real Madrid when three players were sent off and many had their names taken during the match which Real won after a disputed penalty. The club has threatened to resign from the federation, but no one is taken seriously.

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Six all-star teams for softball tourney

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Jan. 19 — Six all-star teams will participate in the Kingdomwide Softball Championships to be played at the NCS court, Raytheon over the weekend. The championships gets underway on Thursday with Taif taking on Riyadh in the opening match scheduled for 10.00 a.m. followed by Yanbu fighting it out with Jubail. Al-Batin then plays the winner of the opener while Jeddah meets the victors of the Yanbu-Jubail tie at 2.30.

Friday sees the concluding round of the championship which is expected to draw a big crowd. Spectators are requested to park their cars outside the ground and that an entry fee of SR 1 will be charged.



Onie Adkins ... nets winner

Results			
English Cup quarterfinals			
Ipswich	2	Watford	1
Tottenham	1	Nottingham Forest	0
F.A. Cup third round			
Burnley	6	Altrincham	1
Chelsea	0	Hull	0
Colchester	3	Newcastle	4
Middlesbrough	2	Q.P. Rangers	3
Sunderland	1	Rotherham	0
East Fife	2	Forfar	3

Dhahran race slated for Feb. 5

By a Staff Writer

DHAHRAN, Jan. 19 — After the Jingle Bell run in December and the Huffles Puffles race in January, each with over 600 runners, the fourth annual 10-mile road race sponsored by the University of Petroleum and Minerals (UPM) Athletics Club will be run on February 5.

Last year about 250 runners from Aramco, UPM, BAC, Khobar, Jubail, Ras Tanura and Riyadh participated in the gruelling run along the spacious UPM campus.

Race organizer, Tim Gardner, advises only those who are physically prepared to run. "If you have only raced two miles, it is foolish to assume that you can do this race. If you regularly run six miles every day, you can do it, otherwise you will have it tough. It is difficult enough to run 10 miles on an ordinary day. If it is hot and humid on February 5, it will be even tougher."

Prizes will be awarded to the first three winners of the age groups and the first three teams while T-shirts donated by Weatherford Saudi Arabia will be awarded to the first 250 finishers.

The race begins at 3.00 p.m. Entries which close on Feb. 1 together with SR20 should reach Tim Gardner at UPM P.O. Box 430, Dhahran on or before Feb. 1. course maps too are available from Gardner.

With Iqbal's courageous performance

YFCC snatches sensational victory

By a Staff Writer

DHAHRAN, Jan. 19 — Syed Iqbal courageous all-round performance made him stand head and shoulders above his teammates the YFCC snatched a thrilling 35-run verdict over Al-Khobar Cricket XI in the UNENCO Marketing-Slazier's Invitational League conducted by the Eastern Province Cricket League, last weekend.

In a low-scoring match at Dammam, all seemed lost when YFCC was reeling under the fiery attack of Al-Khobar. But Syed Iqbal, who was hit on the lips by an awkward delivery, came back after medical attention to rout Al-Khobar. Syed's injury resulted in a loss of a tooth and five stitches. But he made light of it as he first propped YFCC with a useful contribution of 11 in his side's total of 75, and then had the major share of the wickets as Al-Khobar was skittled for a mere 40 runs.

YFCC, taking first strike, began disastrously. With the wickets tumbling around him, Akhtar Sheikh led a brief revival with a steady 30. And Syed's contribution later boosted the total further. But Al-Khobar fared miserably in what seemed a relatively easy task. With a sustained attack, Syed reduced Al-Khobar's batting to a rubble to finish with six wickets for 21 runs. And D. Ghazali proved an able ally in the destruction of the Al-Khobar's innings with three wickets for 18. Only SI Kuly measured up to the YFCC attack and scored 21 runs in his side's score of 40.

In contrast, the Al-Dossary's Oval at Aziziya at Al-Khobar proved to be a batsmen's paradise. Though Al-Quraysh Cricket Club availed of the pitch first it did not put it to maximum use. And its target of 178 for 8 wickets in the allotted overs was easily sur-

passed by Lahore Cricket Club with nine wickets and 13.5 overs in hand.

Al-Quraysh began in a flurry with Nayyar, its topscorer with 45 runs, employing the long handle. His innings contained three sixers. But the remaining batsmen, with the exception of Agha Nadeem (36) and Alauddin (24), failed to capitalize on the easy nature of the wicket. Though Al-Quraysh enjoyed success in the very first ball when 1 Lahore's skipper Fayyaz Aslam Sheikh's defense was penetrated, but it was the lone wicket they could gather as Muhammad Saleem and Tariq Majid went on a run riot.

Tariq, who has been having a lean season, came true with the bat. He began sedately but became more aggressive as from the start and his unbeaten innings of 91 contained two sixers. Tariq, the more stylish of the two, lifted the ball over the fence on four occasions in his knock of 83 not out.

The remaining two matches were one-sided. At Dhahran, Petromin scored a facile 185-run victory over Saudia (EP) Cricket Club, while Juyaimah-RT Cricket Club coasted to a fluent eight wickets win over Bechtel Khobar Cricket Club at Al-Khobar.

Petromin, batting first, was set on the way to a big total by Khalid Nabi. Khalid slammed a burricane 134 and was supported by Imran Manzoor (42 n.o.) and skipper Iqbal Merchant (29). Petromin was 236 for four wickets in its prescribed overs. Saudia buckled under the accurate bowling of Javadi Akhtar and was shot out cheaply for 51. Akhtar returned fine figures of six for 21, while Farooq Qureshi chipped in with two for 10.

Fazli (three for 0), Shababhat (three for 11) and Alvi (two for 9) ran through the Bechtel's innings as the latter managed a meagre 45 in 13.7 overs. Juyaimah bypassed the Bechtel's

total with a degree of comfort in ten overs.

BRIEF SCORES:
Al-Quraysh CC 178 for 8 wks. in 30 overs (Nayyar 45, Agha Nadeem 36, Alauddin 24; Qazi 2 for 29) lost to Lahore CC 181 for 1 wkt. in 17.1 overs (Mohd. Saleem 91 n.o., Majid 83 n.o.)

YFCC 75 in 16 overs (Akhtar Sheikh 30, Sohail 3 for 20, Tariq B. 3 for 25) beat Al-Khobar Cricket XI 40 in 13 overs (S. Kuly 21 n.o.; Syed Iqbal 6 for 21, D.I. Ghazali 3 for 18)

Petromin CC 236 for 4 wks. in 30 overs (Khalid Nabi 134, Imran Manzoor 42 n.o., Iqbal Merchant 29; Shahid Zaidi 2 for 41) beat Saudia (EP) CC 51 in 13.7 overs (Shahid Zaidi 15; Javadi Akhtar 6 for 21, Farooq Qureshi 2 for 10)

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Rodgers to take part in Tokyo Marathon

TOKYO, Jan. 19 (AP) — American Bill Rodgers, four-time winner of the Boston Marathon, will join 34 other foreign runners in the second Tokyo Marathon on January 31, the Japan Amateur Athletics Federation said.

Rodgers' stiffest foreign competition is expected to come from Leonid Moseyev of the Soviet Union, Oyvind Dahl and Inge Simonsen of Norway and Britain's Hugh Jones and Malcolm East.

In the 1981 Boston race, Rodgers finished third behind winner Toshiko Seko of Japan and second place Craig S. Virgin of the United States.

Pak Saudi staves off Indian Blues' fightback

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Jan. 19 — The Alireza Cricket League last Friday had its share of excitement and disappointment. The lone fixture between Pak Saudi and Indian Blues that went through, produced a close finish with Pak Saudi registering its season's maiden triumph by seven-run margin.

The two other fixtures, Shalimar vs J.C.C. and Pak Jeddah vs Sikander in the seven-team league, had to be called off due to the late arrival of the umpires. These two fixtures have been slated for another date.

But the Pak Saudi-Indian Blues encounter made up for the disappointment, with the match following a turbulent course. Pak Saudi, making first use of the wicket after winning the toss, was in dire straits when it lost four early wickets for just 24 runs on the board.

But the advent of Nasim stabilized the Pak Saudi innings. And like in its opening encounter against Shalimar, which it lost, found Anis an able ally in the rearguard

action. Following up its 57-run association in the opening match, the two batsmen added 51 valuable runs to give the Pak Saudi innings a semblance of respectability. Nasim remained unbeaten with 58 runs, his second unbeaten half century in the league, as Pak Saudi totaled 147. For the Indians Khan and Wajid claimed three wickets each for 29 and 37 runs respectively.

The Indians struggled against the accurate attack of Pervez and Khalil and could manage only 16 runs in the first ten overs. The dour batting of the Indian frontliners caused the Indians to fall behind on the run rate. The rate did not improve until Assad threw caution to the wind. His aggression spoiled the analysis of Khalil as Assad took 16 runs in a over off him. The rate picked up as the later batsmen emulated Assad. However, the Indians lost valuable wickets in its chase.

The Indians did not look like making a match of it when it was placed at 106 for nine wickets with only a few overs remaining. But Khan, who had a good match, chanced his

arm with the bat with last man Maqsood holding off at the other end. Khan rattled 40 runs as these two added 34 runs for the last wicket.

With only seven runs needed to tie the score, Pervez struck for Pak Saudi. He crashed the castle of Maqsood with a good delivery to see his side through. This wicket enhanced his tally to five wickets at the cost of 52 runs. Khalil with two for 50 and Nasim with two for 23 were the other successful bowlers.

Russian's record leap

VILNIUS, Soviet Union, Jan. 19 (AFP) — Soviet long jumper Svetlana Vaniouchina achieved a world best indoor performance of 6.83 meters here. Vaniouchina, 21, jumped six centimeters better than the previous world best of 6.77 meters, which had been reached both by her compatriot Margarite Boutkiene and by Karin Henel of West Germany. Boutkiene had equaled Henel's performance in a jump at a Kaunas, Soviet Union, on January 11.

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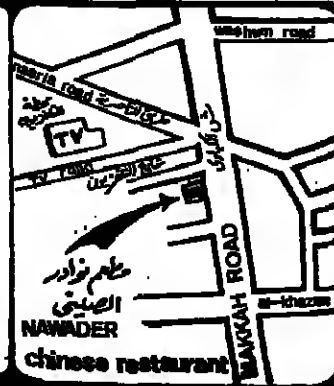
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From Soviet-made bazooka

Rockets hit French N-reactor

GRENOBLE, Southeast France, Jan. 19 (AP) — A salvo of seven rockets fired Monday night at the world's biggest nuclear breeder reactor, being built near here, were shot from a Soviet-made bazooka, official sources said Tuesday.

The projectiles were fired from just across the Rhone River at the super-phoenix breeder reactor site in Creys-Malville, where construction is due to be completed two years from now. A farmer who witnessed the attack said he saw what looked like a "ball of fire" blaze across the Rhone and strike the reactor.

Only one rocket is thought to have hit the massive structure of reinforced concrete, designed to withstand a full-scale missile attack or the impact of a crashing airliner. The damage was minor. The 60-mm projectiles found after the attack bore a code stamp in Cyrillic lettering and were current in the Soviet Union during the 1960s, the sources indicated.

Responsibility for the raid was claimed in a phone call to Agence France-Presse purporting to be on behalf of an "ecologist and pacifist" group. Officials said the attack was conceivably an escalation of the sustained anti-nuclear campaign waged by environmentalists in France since 1975.

But in Paris, a leader of the French ecologist movement, Professor Philippe Lebreton, Tuesday expressed his "disapproval in principle" of the attack on the Creys-Malville reactor, adding however that one form of violence — imposition of the nuclear facility on the local population — had inspired another.

The French ecologist campaign erupted into major violence in July 1977 when 3,000

riot police broke up a banned demonstration by tens of thousands of French anti-nuclear protesters who had been joined by reinforcements from West Germany and Switzerland. One person died and scores were injured in the clash.

Monday night's attack caused no casualties, though about 20 security guards and workers were on the site shortly before midnight when the first rocket was launched. One rocket homed in on target through an unfinished section of the wall, missing a worker by about 20 meters. The man was unhurt by the blast, the impact of which left a hole 35 cm deep in the concrete. The other rockets, fired from about 400 meters away, were wide of the target.

The Soviet-made anti-tank bazooka and its tripod were later found abandoned, together with an ammunition pouch. The serial markings on the weapons had been effaced by filing, official sources said.

The attack on the super-phoenix breeder reactor at Creys-Malville was the third against a French nuclear plant since 1975. On May 3 of that year two explosions damaged a reactor under construction at Fessenheim, just across the Rhine from West Germany. Responsibility was claimed by the self-styled Ulrike Meinhof/Puig Antich Commando, which took its double name from West German leftist extremist Ulrike Meinhof and Spanish anarchist Puig Antich, executed in 1974.

The second attack was on the night of Aug. 14/15, 1975, against a nuclear power station at Brennilen in Brittany. Responsibility for the explosion, which caused only minor dam-

age, was claimed by a group calling itself the "Anti-Nuclear Commandos of the Brittany Liberation Front."

Since work started on the super-phoenix project, it has become the focus of protest by the ecologist movement, which regards the breeder reactor as an even greater threat to the environment than conventional reactors.

When completed two years from now, this prototype breeder reactor will be the largest in the world, generating 1,200 megawatts — an output four times greater than the existing plant at Marcoule, southern France, the largest nuclear breeder in the country.

According to specialists, this type of breeder reactor could increase the energy potential of the world's uranium resources one hundredfold.

France's anti-nuclear groups, who fought hard to obstruct nuclear energy during the seven-year term of former President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing, were active participants in the campaign leading to the victory of Socialist President Francois Mitterrand last spring.

But they have since been deeply disappointed by the energy program of the Socialist-Communist coalition government, which has pushed for nuclear development, and they campaigned against Socialist candidates in partial legislative elections held in France last Sunday.

Commenting on the attack Tuesday, a group called "the Ecologist Alternative Coordinating Committee of the Southeast" said that, "the Socialist Party, by reneging on its promises, and the government, by rejecting democratic, public debate on energy problems, is opening the door to provocation and violence."

U.K. miners 'disfavor' strike

LONDON, Jan. 19 (R) — Unofficial returns in a poll of Britain's coal miners show that they are unlikely to back a strike in support of wage demands, the union's new left-wing leader, Arthur Scargill, said Tuesday. Most of the coal field union members have already voted, the ballot in South Wales, the last region to vote, took place Tuesday.

Scargill, president-elect of the National Union of Mineworkers (NUM), wanted a strike to press demands for a 15 percent pay increase. The state-owned National Coal Board has offered 9.3 percent, saying it cannot improve the offer.

Basque guerrillas suspected

500 revolvers lost in transit

LIEGE, Belgium, Jan. 19 (Agencies) — A consignment of 500 revolvers has been stolen between Bayonne southwest France, and Liege and they could have found their way to the Basque guerrilla organization ETA, police said here Tuesday.

A container of barricade revolvers was empty when it was opened at the Fabrique Nationale (FN), the world's largest privately owned exporter of small arms, near here Monday, a spokesman for FN said.

The weapons, made at the Manufacture d'Armes de Bayonne (MAB), had been sent by rail from Bayonne on Jan. 6. The container was unloaded in Lille, northern France, the same day and left in a warehouse for a week before being sent by lorry to Liege.

The theft could have taken place in Lille on orders of the ETA, police said. It was a type of weapon often used by ETA guerrillas and some parts of the revolvers were made at Guernica, in the Spanish Basque country, before being assembled at Bayonne, they said.

Euromissile talks resume

GENEVA, Jan. 19 (AP) — Talks between the United States and the Soviet Union on limiting their nuclear arsenals in Europe resumed Tuesday and the chief Soviet negotiator declined to say whether the two sides have made progress.

The meeting, which lasted 2½ hours, was the ninth since talks were opened Nov. 30. At that time, the two sides agreed to say nothing of substance about the course of the negotiations, which U.S. President Ronald Reagan's administration has said represent "a very special category of East-West relations" and outside the U.S. sanctions imposed against Moscow to protest last month's military crackdown in Poland.

Asked Tuesday whether progress was being made in the twice-weekly bargaining sessions, the Soviet delegate, A. Kvitsinsky, adhered to the news blackout, saying, "no comment."

The union executive needs 55 percent of the vote for a strike mandate, and failure would come as a relief to Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. The government has been trying to impose a 4 percent pay limit in state-owned industries to bring down inflation.

Scargill Monday bitterly attacked outgoing union president Joe Gormley for strongly opposing strike action.

Gormley's moderate stance has been regarded as a factor in swaying opinion against a work stoppage. Scargill accused him of an act of betrayal without parallel in the history of the union.

Meanwhile, in Madrid, the political-military wing of the ETA claimed responsibility Tuesday for kidnapping the father of pop singer Julio Iglesias who was freed in a Spanish police raid Sunday. The organization said it had "arrested" Dr. Julio Iglesias as part of its continuing need to raise funds.

After Dr. Iglesias was abducted three weeks ago, ETA demanded \$2-million ransom. During the raid Sunday at a remote village in the north, four Basque guerrillas were arrested. Police had said the kidnappers might be dissident members of the political-military wing of ETA, which had declared a truce on armed struggle, a year ago, in contrast to the hard-line military wing, which has refused to lay down its arms.

Tuesday's claim said those arrested were acting under orders and the abduction did not represent a break in the truce, merely a need for funds. The military wing of ETA is still holding 76-year-old German-born industrialist Jose Lipperheide, abducted on Jan. 5 in the Basque country.



Wilson takes damages in libel case

LONDON, Jan. 19 (AP) — Former Labor Prime Minister Sir Harold Wilson and his wife, Mary, said Tuesday they had accepted "substantial" damages in an out-of-court settlement of their libel suit against a London publisher.

The announcement from their attorney said they had withdrawn their libel action against publishers MacDonald and James Publishers Ltd. and Richard Clay (the Chaucer Press) from the high court over the book, *Sir Harold Wilson: Yorkshire Walter Mitty*, by Andrew Roth. The book has since been withdrawn from circulation by the publishers.

In the book, Wilson, prime minister from 1964-1970 and from 1974 until his retirement in 1976, was said to have lived in a world of fantasy, his attorneys said, and the author, who was not sued, alleged that Mrs. Wilson regretted her husband had become "a minister because it absorbed so much of his time."

The book also alleged that in 1946 when her husband, then a junior minister in the government of Clement Attlee, was sent to Washington, Mrs. Wilson met another, unnamed man with whom she had an affair.

Andrew Pugh, attorney for the publishers, told the high court they accepted "there was no foundation for the many untrue and inaccurate allegations in the book which they unreservedly withdrew."

Walesa report 'misinterpreted'

LONDON, Jan. 19 (AP) — Poland's ambassador to London, Stefan Staniszewski, said Monday his weekend announcement that detained Solidarity leader Lech Walesa will be freed soon and martial law lifted was "misinterpreted," British legislators reported.

Earlier, Staniszewski — whose announcement was flatly denied by a Polish government spokesman hours after he made it Sunday — refused to answer reporters' questions when he arrived at the London headquarters of the opposition Labor Party. Staniszewski was invited to meet members of Labor's subcommittee on international affairs, which has condemned Poland's martial law crackdown.

But legislator Eric Heffer said after the hour-long meeting the ambassador maintained his remarks were "misinterpreted" by reporters and a "correction" had been issued by the embassy.

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barrels a day to about 12 million being produced now in a bid to absorb the surplus in the world oil market which depressed prices of Gulf oil during the last two-thirds of 1981.

The statistics, however, show that Saudi Arabia realized a surplus of \$22.8 billion in the fiscal year ending June 1980. The only 1981 figures published in the table were Saudi Arabia's which also show that the Kingdom's revenue in this period was \$94.6 billion.

4 U.S. pilots killed in aerobatics

LAS VEGAS, Jan. 19 (R) — The future of the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds aerobatics team was in doubt Tuesday after four crack pilots died in a mid-air collision over the Nevada Desert.

Air Force officers said the start of the team's 1982 air show season in March had been canceled and the Thunderbirds, who have given displays in many parts of the world, might never take to the air again. Monday's four-plane collision was the biggest single disaster in the team's 28-year history with 19 Thunderbird pilots having been killed and 29 planes wrecked.

The U.S. Congress was expected to launch an inquiry into whether the cost in pilots' lives was too high a price to pay for the prestige of an aerobatics team. The four planes collided when coming out of a low-flying loop, flying wingtip to wingtip, near Indian Springs Auxiliary Base, 80 kms northwest of Las Vegas.

Witnesses said one of the twin-engine T-38 Talon trainers seemed to lose height and all four planes plunged into the desert in a mass of flames and smoke.

The dead included Maj. Norman Lowry, 37, commander of the Thunderbirds, a unit formed from crack pilots which had become an air force institution. The others were identified by the air force as Capt. Wille Mays, 32, Capt. Joseph Peterson, 32, and Capt. Mark Melancon, 31. All four were married with children.

The air force set up a board of inquiry to investigate the collision. An assistant in a grocery shop in the town of Indian Springs said: "There was a big boom and our store shook. We ran out and saw four piles of flames where the planes had crashed."

Carey Forsyth, 29, who was on the main highway through the town, said: "It was like a sheet of flaming napalm roaring across the desert."

Polish hijacker jailed

BERLIN, Jan. 19 (AP) — A West Berlin court Tuesday sentenced a 25-year-old Polish youth to five and a half years in jail for hijacking a Polish Lot airliner to the city last August.

Jerzy Dugas, 25, used a deactivated hand grenade to threaten the crew and force the plane to divert from a domestic flight in Poland and fly to West Berlin.

Dugas surrendered as soon as the plane landed at Tempelhof.

Good Morning

By Jihad Al Khazen

I saw a drawing in a newspaper recently of a ship going down, with its lifeboats being launched. A man of aristocratic looks was standing there, telling a ship's officer: "Find me a place in a 'No Smoking' lifeboat please."

The picture set me thinking. Everywhere you go now, in restaurants, cinemas, theaters, there is always the smoking and nonsmoking section. This is a development which I applaud, as I am a confirmed nonsmoker and have always resented smokers forcing me to inhale their recycled cigarette fumes. But it occurred to me that many divisions could be introduced, beyond this rather elementary one, making for the safety and peace of mind of all.

In cinemas, for instance, mischief does not come merely from smokers. A further fenced-off area should be added for those bringing in their food, an area which could be subdivided into a strictly popcorn eating area, a hamburger area, and, for the extremist elements, one in which the more elaborate meals are consumed.

Then think of how useful the idea would be in barber shops. You can have your choice between chairs in the "talking" area of the shop and the silent one. The former area could be divided into the "politics chair," the "sports chair," the "gossip chair," and so on. That way you can choose the conversation (or lack of it) which is to accompany your haircut, rather than depend on the luck of the draw.

On the football stands one could have the "violent fans" section fenced off from where peaceable souls stand. The violent section could be subdivided into areas where those armed only with sticks and knives may stand, and those who bring guns and dynamite sticks to the proceedings. A measure of fairness is thereby guaranteed and you no longer have the possibility of innocent-knife brandishing fans being shot by their better prepared brethren.

Translated from Ashraf Al Awsat

Lisbon rejects Moscow protest

LISBON, Jan. 19 (AP) — Portugal has rejected a Soviet protest over Lisbon's recent refusal of visas to a high-level Moscow delegation in a direct clash over the Soviet presence in Afghanistan and the military crackdown in Poland, a foreign ministry spokesman said here Tuesday.

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announce that the Farewell Party that is to be given for the
departure of their Regional Manager, Mr. Mouttet

on Wednesday January 20th at the Meridian Hotel, Al-Khobar.

This function will start as from 6.00 p.m. instead of
6.30 p.m. due to another official party being given the same day.

	Min	Max		Min	Max
	C	F	C	F	C
Amsterdam	-4	25	6	43	clear
Athens	7	45	17	63	cloudy
Bahrain	15	59	14	63	clear
Bangkok	20	68	29	84	clear
Beirut	19	48	18	64	clear
Berlin	-8	18	-3	27	clear
Brussels	-3	27	11	52	cloudy
Buenos Aires	18	64	28	82	clear
Cairo	6	43	17	63	clear
Caracas	16	61	27	81	cloudy
Chicago	-16	-4	-7	19	rain
Copenhagen	-4	25	-2	28	clear
Dublin	-6	43	9	48	clear
Frankfurt	-5	23	-4	25	cloudy
Geneva	-1	30	1	34	cloudy
Helsinki	-6	21	0	32	clear
Hong Kong	12	54	17	63	clear
Jakarta	23	73	30	86	rain
Kuala Lumpur	21	70	32	90	rain
London	4	41	11	52	clear
Los Angeles	10	50	16	61	cloudy
Madrid	5	41	12	54	cloudy
Manila	19	66	29	84	clear
Mexico City	10	50	23	73	clear
Miami	18	64	24	74	clear
Montreal	-28	-18	-19	-2	cloudy
Moscow	-13	9	-4	25	clear
New Delhi	6	43	22	72	cloudy
New York	-18	0	-10	14	cloudy
Nicosia	5	41	18	64	clear
Oso	-3	27	3	37	cloudy
Paris	1	34	11	52	clear
Rio de Janeiro	18	64	31	88	cloudy
Rome	3	37	15	59	clear
San Francisco	10	50	12	54	rain
Seoul	-90	16	-2	28	cloudy
Singapore	23	73	32	90	clear
Stockholm	9	16	0	32	cloudy
Sydney	21	70	26	79	cloudy
Taipei	8	68	18	64	cloudy
Tokyo	0	32	10	50	clear
Toronto	-21	-6	-12	10	clear
Vancouver	1	34	5	41	cloudy
Vienna	-7	19	-6	21	cloudy